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Second District



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Third District



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  Setup tab. Double-click Accessories, check Clipboard Viewer, and click OK.



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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
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                        TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2004.]
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    There is no reportable action as a result of the Board of
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    Supervisors' closed session held today.
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    [ GAVEL ].
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING. I'D LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING
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    TO ORDER AND ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE STAND, AND THIRD DISTRICT
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    HAS ASKED ME TO OPEN WITH THE BLESSING THIS MORNING, AND THEN
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    WE'LL BE FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WHICH WILL BE
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    LED BY JOHN L. SULLIVAN, COMMANDER, INGLEWOOD POST NUMBER
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    2122, VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES OF
    AMERICA. IF YOU'LL PLEASE JOIN ME IN AN ATTITUDE OF PRAYER. O
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    MOST KIND AND GRACIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME BEFORE YOU
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    ONCE AGAIN TO THANK YOU FOR THE BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS THAT
    YOU'VE BESTOWED UPON EACH AND EVERY ONE OF US. WE THANK YOU
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    FOR YESTERDAY, WE THANK YOU FOR TODAY AND WE THANK YOU FOR
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    TOMORROW. DURING OUR DELIBERATIONS, LORD, IN THESE DIFFICULT
23
    TIMES, AS WE TRY TO SIFT THROUGH PRIORITIES AND TRY TO DO THE
    RIGHT THING, WE ASK FOR YOUR CONTINUED GUIDANCE. WE ASK FOR
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    YOUR WATCHFUL EYE OVER ALL OF OUR RESIDENTS OF OUR GREAT
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- 1 COUNTY, OUR GREAT STATE AND OUR GREAT NATION. AND, LORD, WE
- 2 ALSO WANT TO, ONCE AGAIN, ASK FOR YOUR GUIDANCE AND
- 3 PROTECTION, NOT ONLY IN WHAT WE DO ON A DAILY BASIS BUT FOR
- 4 THOSE MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE OVERSEAS PROTECTING THIS WONDERFUL
- 5 WAY OF LIFE THAT WE HAVE HERE IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
- 6 SO ONCE AGAIN, LORD, WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU, ASK FOR YOUR
- 7 GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION AND ALL OF GOD'S PEOPLE SAID, AMEN.
- 9 JOHN L. SULLIVAN: AMEN.

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- 11 JOHN L. SULLIVAN: WILL EVERYONE PLEASE PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND
- 12 OVER YOUR HEART AND FACE THE FLAG WHILE WE DO THE PLEDGE OF
- 13 ALLEGIANCE. [ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ]
- 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BURKE?
- 17 SUP. BURKE: WELL, IT CERTAINLY IS MY PLEASURE TO WELCOME AGAIN
- 18 JOHN SULLIVAN, AND HE IS FROM INGLEWOOD POST 2122 VETERAN OF
- 19 FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES AND HE LIVES IN INGLEWOOD,
- 20 HE'S THE COMMANDER OF THAT POST. HE WAS IN THE MILITARY FROM
- 21 '54 TO '67, SO HE HAD A LONG SERVICE AS A GUNNERY SERGEANT
- 22 WITH THE U.S. MARINE CORPS, FIRST MARINE DIVISION. HE SERVED
- 23 IN VIETNAM AND OTHER BATTLES IN OTHER AREAS. HE'S RETIRED FROM
- 24 THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE. HE HAS BEEN IN THE DISTRICT FOR 19
- 25 YEARS. EDUCATION WAS IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. HE RECEIVED A



- 1 SILVER STAR MEDAL, BRONZE STAR MEDAL, PURPLE HEART MEDAL, NAVY
- 2 COMMENDATION MEDAL, GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL WITH THREE STARS,
- 3 PRESIDENTIAL UNIT COMMENDATION, MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION,
- 4 NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL WITH STARS, VIETNAM SERVICE
- 5 MEDAL WITH FOUR STARS AND VIETNAM PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION
- 6 AND THE VIETNAM CAMPAIGN MEDAL. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AND
- 7 THANK YOU FOR BEING WITH US. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 9 SUP. BURKE: A BIG DAY IN INGLEWOOD TODAY. EVERYBODY'S WATCHING
- 10 IT. YES, IT'S A BIG DAY IN INGLEWOOD. [ INDISTINCT CHATTER ]

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA.

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- 14 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
- 15 BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN ON PAGE 5. AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
- 16 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 1-D.

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- 18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
- 19 SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 21 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 12.
- 22 I HAVE THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM NUMBER 2, HOLD FOR
- 23 SUPERVISOR KNABE. ITEM NUMBER 7 INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS
- 24 NOTED ON THE GREEN SHEET. ON ITEM NUMBER 8, FOR THE RECORD,

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SUPERVISOR BURKE AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA -- SHE'S NOT HERE YET --
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    VOTE NO.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.
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    CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: DO WE NEED TO HOLD THAT, THEN OR-- UNTIL WE
    HAVE A FULL...
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    CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: I THINK YOU CAN JUST NOTE SHE'D BE ABSENT
    BUT WE DON'T HAVE THREE VOTES. [ INDISTINCT CHATTER ]
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. LET'S HOLD 8 UNTIL WE, YEAH, THE
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    MEMBERS ARE HERE.
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    CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: OKAY. I'D ASK THOSE WHO WANT TO SPEAK ON
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    THIS ITEM TO PLEASE SIGN UP WITH THE PERSON AT THE RAILING.
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    OKAY. WE'LL HOLD IT.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
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    ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
23
    ORDERED.
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- 1 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. ON ITEM NUMBER 13,
- 2 HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE AND SUPERVISOR KNABE. COMMUNITY
- 3 DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEM 14.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, THE CHAIR WILL
- 6 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 8 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: FIRE DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NUMBER 15, HOLD
- 9 FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. HEALTH SERVICES, ITEMS 16 AND 17.
- 10 ON ITEM NUMBER 16, HOLD FOR A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON THE REMAINDER, ITEM NUMBER 17, MOVED BY
- 13 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT
- 14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 16 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: INTERNAL SERVICES. ON ITEM 18, HOLD FOR
- 17 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. PARKS AND
- 18 RECREATION, ITEM 19.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, THE CHAIR WILL
- 21 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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23 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: PUBLIC LIBRARY, ITEM 20.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
- 2 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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4 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, ITEM 21.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
- 7 SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 9 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: PUBLIC WORKS, ITEMS 22 THROUGH 47. I HAVE
- 10 THE FOLLOWING REQUEST. ON ITEM NUMBER-- ITEMS NUMBER 36 AND
- 11 37, THE DIRECTOR REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE REFERRED BACK TO
- 12 THE DEPARTMENT. HOWEVER, ON NUMBER 37, WE HAVE A REQUEST FROM
- 13 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. WHOEVER THAT INDIVIDUAL IS THAT WOULD
- 16 LIKE TO SPEAK ON ITEM 37, THIS IS GOING TO BE REFERRED BACK TO
- 17 THE DEPARTMENT. DID YOU STILL WANT TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TODAY?
- 18 I'M NOT SURE... YOU STILL WANT TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TODAY?
- 19 OKAY. WE WILL HOLD THAT, JUST SO YOU KNOW, SO THAT YOU CAN
- 20 TESTIFY, BUT THAT ITEM WILL BE REFERRED BACK TO THE
- 21 DEPARTMENT. OKAY?

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23 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: AND THE REST ARE BEFORE YOU.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 2 YAROSLAVSKY, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
- 3 ORDERED.

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- 5 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: SHERIFF, ITEMS 48 AND 49. ON ITEM NUMBER
- 6 48, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE. ITEM 49 IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED BY
- 9 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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11 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, ITEM 50.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
- 14 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 16 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS, ITEMS 51
- 17 THROUGH 55. ON ITEM NUMBER 51, HOLD FOR SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED.

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- 21 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ON ITEM NUMBER 52, SUPERVISOR MOLINA
- 22 REQUESTS A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE ON THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN,
- 23 BUT THE REMAINDER OF THAT ITEM AND THE OTHER ITEM ARE BEFORE
- 24 YOU.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO ON ITEM 52, WE WILL CONTINUE FOR TWO
- 2 WEEKS, THE CORRECTIVE ACTION AND WE'LL APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT.
- 3 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE.
- 4 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 6 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION, ITEM 56, AN
- 7 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 11. HEALTH...

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WAIT A MINUTE. YOU ONLY DID 51 AND 52, DO
- 10 WE-- DO YOU HAVE TO DO 53, 54, 55 TO READ IN.

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12 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: YES-- NO, NOT TO READ IN.

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14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WE CAN JUST APPROVE THEM?

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16 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: YES.

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO WE DID APPROVE, THEN. OKAY.

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- 20 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: I'M SORRY. AND I MOVED ALONG AND I DIDN'T
- 21 GET THE VOTE, SUPERVISOR.

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ON ITEM NUMBER 53, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 24 BURKE, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
- 25 SO ORDERED. ITEM 54, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT, SECONDED BY



- 1 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM
- 2 55, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND.
- 3 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 5 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: OKAY. NOW WE HAVE THE ORDINANCE FOR
- 6 INTRODUCTION, ITEM 56, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 11, HEALTH
- 7 AND SAFETY OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO HOUSING
- 8 INSPECTIONS.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, SECONDED
- 11 BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 13 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION, ITEMS 57 AND 58.
- 14 THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. ON ITEMS 57 AND 58, MOVED BY
- 17 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT
- 18 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

- 20 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM 59 IS THE
- 21 TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT
- 22 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF POMONA UNIFIED
- 23 SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, 2002 ELECTION,
- 24 SERIES C, IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15
- 25 MILLION.



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2 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY

3 SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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- 5 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: PUBLIC HEARINGS. WE'LL HOLD 60 AND 61 FOR
- 6 HEARING. MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA REQUESTED BY
- 7 BOARD MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, WHICH WERE
- 8 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
- 9 INDICATED ON THE GREEN SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. 62-A.

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- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR
- 12 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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14 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: 62-B.

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- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WOULD THIS, 62-B BE ADDRESSED UNDER, I
- 17 BELIEVE IT'S-- I MEAN, UNDER 61 AS A PUBLIC HEARING? AND SO
- 18 62-B SHOULD GO-- BE HEARD AT THE SAME TIME AS ITEM 61, PUBLIC
- 19 HEARING. IS THAT CORRECT?

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- 21 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: YES, YOU CAN HOLD IT FOR THE PUBLIC
- 22 HEARING.

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24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.



1 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: AND 62-C.

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- 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, THE CHAIR WOULD
- 4 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED

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- 6 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: AND THAT COMPLETES THE AGENDA. BOARD OF
- 7 SUPERVISORS' SPECIAL ITEMS BEGINS WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
- 8 NO. 4.

- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A NUMBER OF
- 11 PRESENTATIONS TODAY AND WE'RE GOING TO BEGIN BY INVITING
- 12 CONSUL-GENERAL DARRYL DUNN FROM THE BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY OF NEW
- 13 ZEALAND TO JOIN US. MRS. DUNN IS HERE AS WELL, TOO. ANYWAY,
- 14 THIS-- SHH. COULD WE HAVE YOUR ATTENTION OVER HERE? ON THE
- 15 SIDES, PLEASE. STEVE, COULD WE SORTA... THIS IS ONE OF THOSE
- 16 TIMES, AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES,
- 17 OUTSIDE OF WASHINGTON, D.C., WE HAVE THE SECOND LARGEST
- 18 COUNCIL CORPS IN AMERICA HERE. AND, AS IS THE CASE IN SO MANY
- 19 TIMES, INDIVIDUALS GET POSTED HERE AND, IN MANY CASES, BECOME
- 20 FRIENDS WITH US, EITHER THROUGH COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT OR OTHER
- 21 OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE WORK TOGETHER TODAY AND I JUST WANTED TO
- 22 MAKE SURE THAT I WAS ABLE TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO CONSUL-
- 23 GENERAL DUNN AND HIS WIFE, WHO HAS BEEN POSTED HERE SINCE
- 24 APRIL OF 2000. CONSUL-GENERAL DUNN WILL BECOME THE DIRECTOR OF
- 25 THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA DIVISION IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN



- 1 AFFAIRS IN WELLINGTON, WHERE HE WILL PUT HIS ABILITY TO READ
- 2 AND SPEAK ARABIC TO GREAT USE. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT EARLIER.
- 3 HOPEFULLY NOT TOO MUCH TRAVEL TO THAT PART OF THE COUNTRY
- 4 RIGHT NOW BUT AT LEAST... HE'S KNOWN THE UNITED STATES BETTER
- 5 THAN MOST OF US BECAUSE HE HAS RIDDEN HIS BICYCLE FROM LOS
- 6 ANGELES TO KANSAS CITY AND THEN, A YEAR LATER, FROM KANSAS
- 7 CITY TO BOSTON. HE HAS RUN IN THE LOS ANGELES MARATHON FOR THE
- 8 PAST FOUR YEARS. BUT... SO HE'S IN GREAT SHAPE. WE HAD A
- 9 LITTLE CELEBRATION HERE A FEW WEEKS AGO FOR OUR "LORD OF THE
- 10 RINGS" EVENT AND WE GAVE HIM A NEW BICYCLE SEAT, SO THAT WAS
- 11 PRETTY SPECIAL. BUT, ANYWAY, I JUST WANTED TO SAY PERSONALLY,
- 12 CONSUL-GENERAL DUNN AND HIS STAFF HAVE WORKED VERY CLOSELY
- 13 WITH US ON OUR OPERATION READ PROJECT FOR "LORD OF THE RINGS"
- 14 AND WE STARTED OUT OUR FIRST YEAR WITH APPROXIMATELY 2,000
- 15 KIDS; THE SECOND YEAR, 4,000; AND THIS YEAR, WE PUT THROUGH
- 16 12,000 YOUNG PEOPLE! SO YOU HAVE, YOU KNOW, BASICALLY 18,000
- 17 KIDS THAT HAD TO READ A BOOK AND WRITE A REPORT AND THEN THEY
- 18 GOT TO SEE THE PREMIERE OF "LORD OF THE RINGS," AND EACH ONE
- 19 OF THE BOOKS AND IT WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT HIS
- 20 DISTINCT COOPERATION AND, OUT OF THAT, THE LAST TWO YEARS,
- 21 THEN THROUGH HIS CONNECTIONS AT HOME, WE WERE ABLE TO PICK A
- 22 WINNER, A WINNING TEACHER AS WELL AS A WINNING STUDENT TO GET
- 23 THEM A TRIP TO NEW ZEALAND, WHERE THEY GOT TO SEE ALL THE FILM
- 24 SPOTS OF THE "LORD OF THE RINGS," WHERE THEY WERE FILMED,
- 25 SPENT SOME TIME WITH PETER JACKSON, THE DIRECTOR AND, OF



- 1 COURSE, THEN WE ALL WATCHED HERE JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO WHERE
- 2 "LORD OF THE RINGS" TOOK ABOUT EVERY OSCAR THERE WAS TO TAKE.
- 3 SO WE REALLY APPRECIATED THAT. THE "LORD OF THE RINGS"
- 4 PHENOMENON HAS GIVEN NEW ZEALAND INCREDIBLE VISIBILITY, WHICH
- 5 CONSUL-GENERAL DUNN AND HIS TEAM AT THE CONSULATE AND TRADE
- 6 OFFICE HAVE USED TO PROMOTE CLOSER BUSINESS AND TOURISM TIES
- 7 BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND AND CALIFORNIA. CONSUL-GENERAL DUNN AND
- 8 MRS. DUNN, WE HAVE A SMALL GIFT FOR YOU HERE AND A PLAQUE. WE
- 9 WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST IN YOUR NEW ASSIGNMENT AS YOU
- 10 LEAVE US AND ALWAYS KNOW THAT THE HANDS AND HEARTS OF LOS
- 11 ANGELES COUNTY ARE ALWAYS OPEN AND WELCOME TO YOU. WE WILL
- 12 MISS YOU GREATLY AND I JUST SAY ON A PERSONAL NOTE HOW MUCH I
- 13 APPRECIATE YOUR PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP AND ALL THAT YOU DID TO
- 14 ALLOW THOSE 18,000 YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE A VERY IMPORTANT TIME,
- 15 SPECIAL TIME IN THEIR LIFE. I'M FOREVER GRATEFUL. THANK YOU. [
- 16 APPLAUSE ] [ APPLAUSE ]

- 18 CONSUL-GENERAL DUNN: WELL, KIORA AND G'DAY. THE FIRST GREETING
- 19 WAS IN THE LANGUAGE OF THE MERRY PEOPLE OF NEW ZEALAND.
- 20 SUPERVISOR KNABE KNOWS THEM VERY WELL. HE KNOWS THAT, IF HE
- 21 EVER MEETS A MERRY WAR PARTY, JUST MAINTAIN EYE CONTACT AT ALL
- 22 TIMES. BUT TO SUPERVISOR KNABE, TO MRS. MOLINA, MR.
- 23 ANTONOVICH, MRS. BRATHWAITE-BURKE, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, THANK YOU
- 24 VERY, VERY MUCH FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. I REPRESENT, IN LOS
- 25 ANGELES, A SMALL COUNTRY, WHICH HAS FOUR MILLION PEOPLE IN IT



- 1 AND SO YOU CAN BASICALLY PUT THE POPULATION OF NEW ZEALAND
- 2 PRETTY MUCH INSIDE THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND ALTHOUGH WE IN
- 3 NEW ZEALAND PRIDE OURSELVES ON THE WARMTH OF THE WELCOME THAT
- 4 WE GIVE TO VISITORS, I'D HAVE TO SAY THAT THE WARMTH OF THE
- 5 WELCOME THAT WE'VE HAD IN THE MUCH LARGER COUNTY OF LOS
- 6 ANGELES HAS BEEN TREMENDOUS AND HAS REALLY HELPED US TO FEEL
- 7 AT HOME HERE IN THIS GREAT PART OF THE WORLD. I WANT TO PAY
- 8 SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR THE WARMTH OF HIS
- 9 WELCOME AND FRIENDSHIP TO US. HE INCLUDED US AND OUR COUNTRY
- 10 IN A PROJECT WHICH IS OF TREMENDOUS IMPORTANCE TO THE CHILDREN
- 11 OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, IT'S PROJECT READ, ABOUT
- 12 LITERACY. I'LL BE ETERNALLY GRATEFUL TO HIM FOR THAT. I ALSO
- 13 WANT TO PAY TRIBUTE TO, I THINK, THE PERSON WHO HAS LED THE
- 14 CHARGE ON THIS WITH-- IN SUPPORTING HIM AND THAT IS MRS. WOODY
- 15 JACKSON, WHO WORKS FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROBATION
- 16 DEPARTMENT. AND I ALSO WANT TO PAY TRIBUTE TO A GOOD FRIEND,
- 17 GINGER BERNARD, WHO REPRESENTS THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN
- 18 THE PROTOCOL OFFICE SO VERY ABLY TO THE CONSULAR CORPS. I CAN
- 19 ASSURE YOU THAT TRICIA AND I GO AWAY FROM HERE, I GUESS HAPPY
- 20 TO SEE OUR COUNTRY BUT WITH TREMENDOUS REGRETS ABOUT THE
- 21 WONDERFUL PEOPLE THAT WE'RE LEAVING HERE AND WISHING YOU ALL
- 22 THE VERY, VERY BEST FOR THE FUTURE, KNOWING THAT LOS ANGELES
- 23 CITY AND ITS COUNTY HAS A DESTINY AS THE GREAT CITY OF THE
- 24 ASIA PACIFIC REGION. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NOW I'M GOING TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR BURKE.
- 2 WE HAVE A LONG-TIME FRIEND OF THE COUNTY AND GOOD FRIEND OF
- 3 MINE AND IN THE DAYS WHEN WE WERE BOTH SELECTED, WE WORKED
- 4 TOGETHER VERY CLOSELY AND NOW WE'RE BOTH ELECTED AND PLEASE
- 5 WELCOME, TO SUPERVISOR BURKE, OUR GOOD FRIEND, FORMER SPEAKER,
- 6 MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY, A GOOD FRIEND, MR. HERB WESSON.
- 7 [ APPLAUSE ]

- 9 SUP. BURKE: WELL, WE'RE VERY PLEASED TO SEE ASSEMBLYMAN
- 10 WESSON, FORMER SPEAKER AND FORMER BY A MONTH AND WE SAY, YOU
- 11 KNOW, YOU CAN'T GO HOME AGAIN BUT THE AUTHOR WHO WROTE THAT
- 12 PROBABLY DIDN'T HAVE A POLITICAL LEADER IN MIND BECAUSE WE'RE
- 13 JUST DELIGHTED TO HAVE HIM BACK HOME TO VISIT WITH US AS
- 14 SPEAKER EMERITUS OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY. AND HERE,
- 15 OF COURSE, WE KNOW HIM AS HERB. AND IT'S TRUE HE SERVED AS
- 16 SPEAKER OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE ASSEMBLY FROM FEBRUARY 2002
- 17 UNTIL FEBRUARY 2004. HE'S ALREADY IN THE HISTORY BOOKS AS THE
- 18 SECOND AFRICAN-AMERICAN TO BE ELECTED TO THAT POSITION AND AS
- 19 THE CREATOR OF THE MOST SUCCESSFULLY DEDICATED LICENSE PLATE
- 20 IN THE HISTORY OF CALIFORNIA, THE SEPTEMBER 11TH MEMORIAL
- 21 LICENSE PLATE AND FUNDS RAISED FROM THE SALE SUPPORT ANTI-
- 22 TERRORISM PROGRAMS AND PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE SURVIVORS OF
- 23 THE CALIFORNIA-- THE SURVIVORS FROM CALIFORNIA AS VICTIMS OF
- 24 THE ATTACK. AND HERB CREATED THE SPEAKERS COMMISSION ON POLICE
- 25 CONDUCT WITH THE AIM OF IMPROVING LAW ENFORCEMENT POLICIES AND



- 1 PROCEDURES TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND CIVIL RIGHTS OF ALL
- 2 CALIFORNIANS. HE ALSO AUTHORIZED THE FIRST GAY, LESBIAN,
- 3 BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER LEGISLATIVE CAUCUS IN THE CALIFORNIA
- 4 LEGISLATURE, SO THAT ISSUE AFFECTING THIS COMMUNITY COULD BE
- 5 HEARD. HE RESIDED OVER THE LEGISLATURE DURING ONE OF THE MOST
- 6 DIFFICULT TIMES IN CALIFORNIA HISTORY AND WE CAN ALL ATTEST TO
- 7 THAT, AS THE STATE WENT THROUGH ITS MOST SERIOUS FISCAL CRISIS
- 8 IN DECADES AND ALSO HAD AN UNPRECEDENTED GUBERNATORIAL RECALL
- 9 ELECTION. HE FORCED A BIPARTISAN COMPROMISE BETWEEN THE
- 10 LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER TO PLACE
- 11 PROPOSITION 57 AND 58 ON LAST MARCH'S BALLOT. BOTH MEASURES
- 12 WON OVERWHELMINGLY. AND, LAST YEAR, HERB WAS NAMED BY EBONY
- 13 MAGAZINE AS ONE OF THE HUNDRED MOST INFLUENTIAL BLACK
- 14 AMERICANS. HOWEVER, THE HERB WE REMEMBER IN THIS COUNTY WAS
- 15 CHIEF OF STAFF. WE SAW HIM EVERY TUESDAY AT BOARD MEETINGS,
- 16 PROWLING THE BOARD ROOM AND MAKING SURE THINGS WENT SMOOTHLY
- 17 AND I HAVE TO SAY HE MADE SURE THOSE BUDGETS GET THROUGH IN A
- 18 HURRY AND ON TIME. I MEAN, IN FACT, I THINK THEY COMPLAINED A
- 19 LITTLE BIT BECAUSE WE GOT THE BUDGET PUT TOGETHER SO FAST. BUT
- 20 I WANT TO JOIN ALL YOUR OLD FRIENDS IN RECOGNIZING YOU AND HIS
- 21 WIFE, FABIAN, IS HERE WITH HIM AND SAY THAT WE CERTAINLY ARE
- 22 VERY PROUD OF YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS AND WE KNOW YOU'RE GOING TO BE
- 23 DOING MANY, MANY MORE. CONGRATULATIONS. [ APPLAUSE ]



SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: TAKE A VOTE? OH, EXCUSE ME. [ LAUGHTER ] [ 1 2 APPLAUSE 1 3 HERB WESSON: I WANT TO THANK-- THANK ALL OF YOU AND FIRST-- I 4 5 GUESS, FIRST AND FOREMOST, I WANT TO THANK GOD FOR AFFORDING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO WAKE UP THIS MORNING AND SPEND QUALITY 6 TIME WITH ALL OF YOU. I WANT TO SAY THAT THIS RECOGNITION IS 7 8 VERY, VERY SPECIAL TO ME. NOT TOO LONG AGO, I WAS HONORED BY THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL AND IT WAS A GREAT HONOR. I HAD 9 10 AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HONORED BY MY FRIENDS, PEOPLE THAT I WORKED WITH: JANICE HAHN AND GREG SMITH AND PEOPLE THAT, 11 AGAIN, ARE MY FRIENDS, AND I LOVED IT, BUT TO BE HONORED BY MY 12 TEACHERS IS A VERY HUMBLING AND SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR ME. 13 WHEN I WENT TO THE ASSEMBLY, I HAD NO DOUBT THAT I WOULD 14 SOMEHOW BE INVOLVED IN LEADERSHIP AND THAT WAS BECAUSE OF THE 15 16 PREPARATION THAT I RECEIVED AT THIS PLACE. I LEARNED FROM EVERY SUPERVISOR HERE, FROM MIKE ANTONOVICH, NOT ONLY DID I 17 18 LEARN HOW TO DRESS... [ LAUGHTER ] 19 HERB WESSON: ...AND HOW TO LOVE ANIMALS, TWO OF WHICH I 20 21 ADOPTED, BUT FROM MIKE, I UNDERSTOOD THAT YOU CAN HAVE A HIGH 22 LEVEL OF RESPECT FOR PEOPLE THAT YOU DISAGREE WITH FROM TIME 23 TO TIME AND THAT YOU -- THAT I LEARNED HOW TO WORK WITH INDIVIDUALS FROM A CONSERVATIVE PERSPECTIVE AND THAT HELPED ME 24 TREMENDOUSLY WHEN I GOT TO THE ASSEMBLY BECAUSE SO MANY OF MY 25



- 1 FRIENDS ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE AISLE SEE DIFFERENTLY ON
- 2 ITEMS THAN I. FROM SUPERVISOR MOLINA, I-- I LEARNED HOW TO
- 3 KICK A LITTLE BUTT EVERY NOW AND THEN WHEN IT WAS NECESSARY...
- 4 [ LAUGHTER ]

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- 6 HERB WESSON: ...AND I ALSO LEARNED THAT THERE WERE SOME THINGS
- 7 THAT YOU JUST DON'T COMPROMISE ON, THAT THERE'S SOME THINGS
- 8 THAT YOU JUST DON'T NEGOTIATE ON. SO FOR THAT FROM YOU, I
- 9 THANK YOU. TO ZEV, NOT ONLY DID YOU ALLOW YOUR WIFE TO BE ONE
- 10 OF MY BIGGEST BOOSTERS AND SUPPORTERS AND SHE'S A DEAR FRIEND
- 11 AND I LOVE HER DEARLY...

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- 13 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DIDN'T ALLOW HER TO DO ANYTHING. [
- 14 LAUGHTER ]

- 16 HERB WESSON: ...FROM ZEV, I LEARNED HOW TO PAY ATTENTION TO
- 17 DETAIL, ESPECIALLY WHERE, RELATED TO THE BUDGET, I LEARNED HOW
- 18 TO FOLLOW THE MONEY. AND, IN MY TWO YEARS AS SPEAKER, I KNEW
- 19 THAT BUDGET UPSIDE, DOWNSIDE. FROM DON KNABE, MY DEAR FRIEND,
- 20 I LEARNED LOYALTY AND I THINK I LEARNED THE TRUE MEANING OF
- 21 BIPARTISANSHIP AND THAT HELPED ME TO MOVE THROUGH THE ASSEMBLY
- 22 AND TO EVENTUALLY BECOME SPEAKER. AND FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE,
- 23 WHO'S BEEN MY MENTOR AND MY FRIEND, I NEVER WORKED FOR HER, I
- 24 WAS ALWAYS A PARTNER WITH HER, I LEARNED EVERYTHING. WHAT SHE
- 25 DOESN'T REMEMBER, ABOUT FIVE YEARS AGO IN WASHINGTON, D.C.,



- 1 SENATE PRO TEM JOHN BURTON CAME UP TO HER AND I WAS THERE AND
- 2 I TURNED MY BACK TO TALK TO SOMEONE ELSE, AND HE SAID TO HER,
- 3 "BOY, YOU GOT A GOOD GUY HERE," AND SHE LOOKED AT HIM AND
- 4 SAID, "HE WAS BORN TO DO THIS JOB." I'LL NEVER FORGET. THAT
- 5 WAS THE BEST COMPLIMENT I'VE EVER RECEIVED, EVEN THOUGH SHE
- 6 DIDN'T GIVE IT TO ME DIRECTLY. [ LAUGHTER ]

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- 8 HERB WESSON: BUT I DID LEARN FROM THE SUPERVISOR HOW TO PUT
- 9 PEOPLE FIRST, MYSELF SECOND, RECOGNIZING THAT BEING IN THE
- 10 MEDIA IS NOT THAT IMPORTANT FOR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL, IT'S FOR
- 11 DELIVERING TO THE PEOPLE THAT YOU REPRESENT. AND MAYBE THE
- 12 MOST IMPORTANT THING, SUPERVISOR, THAT I LEARNED FROM YOU WAS
- 13 GRACE UNDER PRESSURE BECAUSE, FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS, IT
- 14 SEEMS LIKE I'VE BEEN UNDER PRESSURE AND THANK GOD FOR THAT
- 15 GRACE. BUT THERE WAS SOME PERKS ALONG THE WAY. I MEAN,
- 16 SUPERVISOR KNABE, I'VE PLAYED PEBBLE BEACH GOLF COURSE SIX
- 17 TIMES! [ LAUGHTER ]

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19 HERB WESSON: EAT YOUR HEART OUT.

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21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I AM!

- 23 HERB WESSON: I WAS INVOLVED IN THE PASSAGE OF THE LARGEST
- 24 SCHOOL BOND IN THE HISTORY OF THE PLANET. WE BUILT VETERAN
- 25 HOMES, FIVE VETERAN HOMES AND REHABBED ANOTHER, THINGS THAT I



- 1 THOUGHT WERE GREAT THINGS AND COULD NEVER GET ANY PRESS, NO
- 2 MATTER WHAT I DID! I KICK A MONK DURING A DEMONSTRATION FROM
- 3 THE SHAHLING TEMPLE AND, ZEV, YOU'LL APPRECIATE THIS, I WAS ON
- 4 THE FRONT PAGE OF THE NEWSPAPER IN INDIA! IN INDIA! DID A
- 5 RADIO TALK SHOW IN AUSTRALIA AND, LAST FRIDAY, REALIZED ONE OF
- 6 MY GREATEST DREAMS, WHEN I BECAME A PROFESSIONAL ENTERTAINER
- 7 AS I WAS A GUEST ON THE JIMMY KIMMEL LIVE SHOW, THEY PAID ME
- 8 FOR KICKING A MONK. ONLY IN AMERICA. GO FIGURE. BUT, ANYWAY,
- 9 WITH THAT SAID, I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I WILL ALWAYS TREASURE
- 10 THIS RECOGNITION BECAUSE THE PERSON THAT I AM TODAY, I THINK
- 11 THAT EVERY MEMBER OF THIS BOARD AND THE GREAT STAFF THAT YOU
- 12 HAVE HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH. SO, ON BEHALF OF MY WIFE,
- 13 FABIAN AND MY MOTHER IN THE BACK, MY MOTHER, GLADYS, IS IN THE
- 14 BACK AND MY STEP DAD, I THANK YOU ALL FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY
- 15 HEART. GOD BLESS YOU, GOD BLESS THIS GREAT COUNTY. THANK YOU
- 16 SO VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ] [ APPLAUSE CONTINUES ]

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- 18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THE OTHER THING THAT HERB LEARNED FROM
- 19 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS HOW TO HUG A TALL PERSON. [ LAUGHTER
- 20 ]

- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. AND NEXT, WE'LL TURN IT OVER TO
- 23 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH BEFORE WE GET BACK TO THE NORMAL
- 24 STRUCTURE HERE, WE HAVE ANOTHER SPECIAL PRESENTATION. I WANT



- 1 TO ASK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AS WE WELCOME UP MR. BILL
- 2 PELLMAN, OUR COUNTY COUNSEL

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WELL, TODAY, WE ONCE AGAIN RECOGNIZE BILL
- 5 PELLMAN, WHO JUST RECENTLY RETIRED AS OUR COUNTY COUNSEL AFTER
- 6 33 YEARS OF SERVICE, WHICH BEGAN BACK IN 1973, WHERE HE WAS--
- 7 BECAME A MEMBER OF THE LEGAL CAREER WITH THE COUNTY'S-- LOS
- 8 ANGELES COUNTY'S LARGEST LEGAL OFFICE, THE COUNTY COUNSEL. IN
- 9 1998, HE BECAME THE EXACT COUNTY COUNSEL, WHEN HE WAS
- 10 APPOINTED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. HE'S
- 11 AUTHORIZED SIGNIFICANT STATE LEGISLATION REGARDING THE SALE OF
- 12 LEASED COUNTY PROPERTY AND HAS SERVED AS THE PRIMARY LEGAL
- 13 ADVISOR TO L.A.F.C.O., THE LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION
- 14 FOR THE COUNTY. HE'S CURRENTLY AS EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE LA
- 15 COUNTY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL, WHERE HE SERVED PREVIOUSLY AS ITS
- 16 PRESIDENT. HE'S ALSO A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF
- 17 THE CALIFORNIA GENERAL COUNCIL FORUM, AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
- 18 PUBLIC ADMINISTRATORS, THE LOS ANGELES METRO CHAPTER AND VERY
- 19 ACTIVE IN THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA. SO,
- 20 BILL, WE HAVE THIS LITTLE MEMENTO, THIS PLAQUE TO PLACE ON
- 21 YOUR WALL FOR THE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE AND GRATITUDE THAT WE
- 22 HAVE FOR YOU. WE WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS AND GOD BLESS YOU.
- 23 [ APPLAUSE ]



- 1 BILL PELLMAN: FIRST, MY WIFE, KATHLEEN AND MY SON, KEN. TO
- 2 GIVE YOU AN IDEA AS TO HOW LONG I HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY,
- 3 KEN WAS BORN THE FIRST YEAR THAT I WAS WORKING FOR THE COUNTY
- 4 COUNSEL'S OFFICE. I'VE LEARNED A LOT OF THINGS. ONE OF THE
- 5 THINGS I LEARNED, BUT IT DIDN'T WORK OUT TODAY, IS TO NEVER
- 6 FOLLOW A SPEAKER LIKE HERB WESSON WHEN YOU COME UP TO THE
- 7 MICROPHONE. I'LL BE VERY BRIEF BECAUSE I KNOW YOU HAVE A LOT
- 8 OF THINGS TO TAKE CARE OF TODAY. I JUST WANT TO THANK THE
- 9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR CHOOSING ME FIVE AND A HALF YEARS AGO
- 10 TO BE THE LEADER OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE. I BELIEVE IT
- 11 IS THE BEST PUBLIC LAW OFFICE, AT LEAST, MAYBE BEST LAW OFFICE
- 12 IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IT'S ONLY SO GOOD, IN PART,
- 13 BECAUSE IT IS SUPPORTED BY A WONDERFUL SUPPORT STAFF AND,
- 14 UNFORTUNATELY, MY RIGHT ARM, FRANCES LYNETTE, IS NOT ABLE TO
- 15 BE HERE TODAY, BUT I WANT TO THANK ALL THE PEOPLE IN THE
- 16 OFFICE, THE BOARD, THEIR DEPUTIES. IT'S A GREAT ORGANIZATION.
- 17 THE TAXPAYERS, I BELIEVE, ARE WELL SERVED BY THIS BOARD OF
- 18 SUPERVISORS, THE BEST I'VE SEEN IN THE 20 YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN
- 19 ASSOCIATED WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SO THANK YOU VERY
- 20 MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NOW I'D LIKE TO WELCOME UP HEIDI GALLEGOS
- 23 AND NANCY BALLANTYNE AND DR. RON LEON FROM ROWLAND UNIFIED
- 24 SCHOOL DISTRICT AND WE ALSO HAVE SOME STUDENTS WITH US TODAY
- 25 AND NATALIE MACIAS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S



- 1 DEPARTMENT TO PLEASE COME UP. THIS YEAR MARKS THE TWELFTH
- 2 ANNIVERSARY OF SAFE COMMUNITIES WEEK HERE IN LOS ANGELES
- 3 COUNTY. THE VITALITY OF THE COUNTY DEPENDS ON HOW WE KEEP OUR
- 4 HOME NEIGHBORHOODS AND WORKPLACES AND COMMUNITIES. CRIME AND
- 5 FEAR DIMINISH OUR TRUST IN OTHERS AND IN OTHER INSTITUTIONS,
- 6 THREATENING OUR COMMUNITY'S HEALTH AND PROSPERITY. AND WE ALL
- 7 TALK ABOUT HOMELAND SECURITY BUT, IF THE HOMETOWN IS NOT
- 8 SECURE, THEN WE HAVE ADDITIONAL ISSUES. AND PEOPLE OF ALL AGES
- 9 MUST UNITE ALL ELEMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY IN CREATING A SAFE,
- 10 HEALTHY AND CRIME-FREE ENVIRONMENT. OPERATION SAFE COMMUNITY,
- 11 THE ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND OUR THE WALNUT/DIAMOND
- 12 BAR SHERIFF'S STATION HAVE PARTNERED IN THIS ENDEAVOR FOR
- 13 MANY, MANY YEARS AND HAVE SUCCESSFULLY INCREASED THE
- 14 PARTICIPATION IN CRIME PREVENTION EFFORTS IN THE COMMUNITY. SO
- 15 ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THE BOARD, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT
- 16 THIS SCROLL TO HEIDI AND NANCY AND CO-CHAIRS OF THIS YEAR'S
- 17 OPERATION SAFE COMMUNITY AND DR. RON LEON, WHO IS
- 18 SUPERINTENDENT OF THE ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
- 19 NATALIE MACIAS FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
- 20 DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR CONTINUED EFFORTS. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE
- 21 SOME INDIVIDUAL CERTIFICATES THAT WE'RE GOING TO PRESENT TO
- 22 MIGUEL AVILES, A FIFTH GRADER FROM NORTHHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
- 23 WHO IS THE FIRST PLACE WINNER IN THE SAFE COMMUNITY WEEK BADGE
- 24 DESIGN CONTEST, KIER TUAZON, AN EIGHTH GRADE STUDENT AT GIANO
- 25 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, WHO WAS THE FIRST PLACE WINNER OF THE

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PEECHEE COVER CONTEST AND REBECCA FENTON, A SEVENTH GRADER 1 FROM ALVARADO INTERMEDIATE, WHO WAS RUNNER-UP IN THE PEECHEE 2 3 COVER CONTEST. SO CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL AND WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL TO HEIDI AND NANCY. [ APPLAUSE ] 4 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MIGUEL? [ APPLAUSE ] 6 7 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: KIER. [ APPLAUSE ] 9 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: REBECCA. [ APPLAUSE ] 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NATALIE AND RON. HEIDI, YOU'RE ON. 12 13 HEIDI GALLEGOS: ON BEHALF OF OPERATION SAFE COMMUNITY, I'D 14 15 LIKE TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF 16 SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF SAFE COMMUNITIES WEEK. AS YOU CAN SEE THROUGH THE ARTWORK WITH OUR YOUNG 17 18 PEOPLE, WE ARE DEVELOPING NOT ONLY PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY BUT 19 RESPONSIBILITY FOR OUR COMMUNITIES. SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. 20 21 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, HEIDI. [ APPLAUSE ] 23 NANCY BALLANTYNE: BOARD OF SUPERVISOR AND DISTINGUISHED 24

GUESTS, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT MIGUEL AVILES' BADGE DESIGN THAT

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WON THE CONTEST. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. [ 1 2 APPLAUSE ] 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NOW WE'D LIKE TO ASK DEANNE TILTON, THE 4 5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF I.C.A.N. AND BEVERLY KURTZ, I.C.A.N. ASSOCIATE POSTER ARTS CHAIRPERSON AND MARGIE GINS, OUR 6 7 CHAIRMAN OF THE CHILD ABUSE COORDINATING COUNCIL. JOINING THEM 8 ARE SOME WONDERFUL STUDENTS WHOSE ARTWORK UP HERE WERE PRIVILEGED AND HONORED TO BE ONE OF THE JUDGES DURING THE ANNUAL CHILDREN'S POSTER ART CONTEST WHICH BEVERLY 10 COORDINATES. I THINK IT'S ALL OF OUR WISH THAT ONE DAY WE WILL 11 NO LONGER HAVE TO CLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL AS CHILD ABUSE 12 PREVENTION MONTH. LAST YEAR, OVER 160,000 CASES OF CHILD ABUSE 13 AND NEGLECT WERE REPORTED TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND 14 FAMILY SERVICES. AND AS LONG AS WE HAVE ONE CASE INVOLVING A 15 16 CHILD, WE MUST CONTINUE TO BRING PUBLIC FOCUS TO THAT. ON THE BRIGHT SIDE, THESE WONDERFUL YOUNG PEOPLE UP HERE RECENTLY 17 18 PARTICIPATED IN THE CHILDREN'S POSTER CONTEST AND ARE ALL OUR 19 WINNERS. THEY'RE GOING TO BE RECEIVING THEIR PROCLAMATIONS LATER THIS MONTH AT A VERY SPECIAL RECEPTION BUT WE WANTED YOU 20 21 TO MEET ALL THEM AND SEE THEIR WORKS TODAY, WHICH DEPICT VARIOUS MESSAGES RELATING TO CHILDREN'S SAFETY. SO TO ALL THE 22 23 PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH I.C.A.N., WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL OF THEM FOR THEIR HARD WORK. I'M GOING TO PRESENT THIS 24 SCROLL TO DEANNE AND BEVERLY, AND I'M GOING TO ASK THE 25



- 1 STUDENTS, AS I CALL THEIR NAME, IF THEY'D JUST RAISE THEIR
- 2 HAND. GISELLE PENA? WHERE IS GISELLE? GREAT. ALL RIGHT.
- 3 CRYSTAL CASTRO? ALL RIGHT. AVO AZARIAN? I HAVE MORE POSTER
- 4 THAN I HAVE NAMES SO I'M GOING TO-- MAYBE I'LL STOP. LET'S
- 5 JUST GIVE THE KIDS A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE. ALL RIGHT! [
- 6 APPLAUSE ]

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- 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. I GOT SHELLY KIM. I GOT MARY ELLA
- 9 MACILLIO. ALL RIGHT. AND SALLY DING. IS SALLY HERE? ALL RIGHT.
- 10 DID I MISS ANYBODY?

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12 SUP. BURKE: NO.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OH, COOL. I DID HAVE ENOUGH NAMES. I JUST
- 15 SAW MORE POSTERS. ALL RIGHT. ANYWAY, TO DEANNE AND BEVERLY, ON
- 16 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE WOULD LIKE TO PRESENT
- 17 YOU, CHILD ABUSE MONTH, ONCE AGAIN IN THE MONTH OF APRIL.

- 19 DEANNE TILTON: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND THANK YOU TO
- 20 EACH OF THE BOARD SUPERVISORS. I JUST HAVE ONE LITTLE THING TO
- 21 SAY AND THAT IS THAT WHAT SUPERVISOR KNABE SAID ABOUT WISHING
- 22 THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE TO HAVE A CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
- 23 EVERY YEAR WOULD BE THE MOST WONDERFUL ACCOMPLISHMENT THAT
- 24 ICAN COULD EVER HOPE TO ACHIEVE. AND WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED TO
- 25 RECOGNIZE AS PART OF THIS-- THIS HUGE ISSUE THAT AFFECTS ALL



- 1 ASPECTS OF SOCIETY IS THAT CHILDREN THEMSELVES WHO ARE NOT
- 2 ABUSED ARE AFFECTED BY THIS. THEY WORRY ABOUT IT, THEY WANT TO
- 3 DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT AND THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT THAT BEVERLY
- 4 KURTZ CHAIRS GIVES THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS THAT THROUGH
- 5 THEIR ART AND I THINK THAT, IN TALKING TO EACH OF THESE KIDS,
- 6 IT'S VERY CLEAR THAT THEY CARE A LOT ABOUT OTHER KIDS. AND,
- 7 FOR THE FIRST TIME THIS YEAR, WE ACTUALLY HAD KIDS EXPLORING
- 8 ON THE INTERNET THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF CHILD ABUSE AND
- 9 NEGLECT IN ORDER TO CREATE THEIR ART. AND SO I THINK THIS IS A
- 10 TRUE ACCOMPLISHMENT AND A TRUE STEP FORWARD AND I HOPE WE CAN
- 11 STILL ALL WORK TOGETHER TO HOPE THAT THIS IS PERHAPS ONE OF
- 12 THE LAST TIMES WE'LL HAVE TO HAVE A CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION
- 13 MONTH. AND, BY THE WAY, SUPERVISOR KNABE LOVES JUDGING THIS
- 14 CONTEST. AND HE'S, UNLIKE OTHER PEOPLE AND HE... [ LIGHT
- 15 LAUGHTER ]

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- 17 **DEANNE TILTON: ...**ABSOLUTELY IS A CHILDLIKE PERSON AS HE GOES
- 18 FROM POSTER TO POSTER, SO THANK YOU SO MUCH. YOU'RE GREAT.

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20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: DON'T BE TOO DESCRIPTIVE NOW.

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22 **DEANNE TILTON:** VERY, VERY MATURE, VERY MATURE. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 24 SUP. BURKE: TWO THINGS I DON'T LIKE TO JUDGE, CHILDREN'S
- 25 CONTESTS AND BEAUTY CONTESTS.



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2 BEVERLY KURTZ: I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

- 3 FOR THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT OVER THE YEAR FOR THIS PROJECT.
- 4 AND PUBLIC AWARENESS IN THE SCHOOLS AND TRYING TO TEACH OUR
- 5 KIDS HOW TO BE SAFE AND TO BE AWARE OF SITUATIONS THAT ARE NOT
- 6 SAFE AND WHAT TO DO IN THOSE SITUATIONS. I'D LIKE TO MENTION
- 7 THAT THIS YEAR, THERE WERE 600 KIDS THAT PARTICIPATED, FROM 34
- 8 DIFFERENT SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AND THESE ARE THE --
- 9 THESE ARE THE POSTERS OF THE NINE WINNERS AND THE GRAND PRIZE
- 10 WINNER AND IT WILL BE EXHIBITED-- IT'S HERE TODAY, ALL OF THE
- 11 POSTERS ARE GOING UP TO SACRAMENTO TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF
- 12 SOCIAL SERVICES LOBBY. THEY'LL BE BACK FOR THE AWARDS CEREMONY
- 13 AND VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY FOR THE NEXT YEAR.
- 14 AND ALL THE KIDS HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY, TOO. OKAY. YELL OUT.

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- 16 ALL CHILDREN: APRIL IS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. THANK
- 17 YOU, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND I.C.A.N. FOR CARING ABOUT KIDS
- 18 AND KEEPING US SAFE. [ APPLAUSE ]

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20 BEVERLY KURTZ: THANK YOU.

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22 SUP. ANTONOVICH: CONGRATULATIONS.

- 24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GREAT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. NEXT I'D LIKE
- 25 TO ASK MR. JIM NOYES, OUR DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC



- 1 WORKS AND MR. RAJ PATEL TO JOIN ME UP HERE. PART OF OUR
- 2 RESPONSIBILITY OF THIS BOARD IS TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON HOW
- 3 TO SAFEGUARD THEMSELVES FROM DISASTERS AND EARTHQUAKES AND
- 4 FIRES AND TO PROVIDE ITS CITIZENS BUILDING STANDARDS TO
- 5 PRESERVE PUBLIC SAFETY. YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE GOALS OF BUILDING
- 6 SAFETY WEEK IS TO INCREASE THE PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE ROLE OF
- 7 BUILDING SAFETY, OFFICIALS BOTH LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL, IN
- 8 WHAT THE ROLES THEY PLAY AND SO IMPORTANT IN THE FIRST LINE OF
- 9 DEFENSE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC. TALK ABOUT FIRST RESPONDERS IN
- 10 TERMS OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES AND EVERYTHING ELSE THAT
- 11 BUILDING AND SAFETY IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THAT. SO ON
- 12 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES ON THE BOARD, WE ARE
- 13 PRESENTING THIS SCROLL TO JIM AND RAJ IN CELEBRATION OF
- 14 BUILDING SAFETY WEEK AND ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS TO
- 15 PARTICIPATE IN BUILDING SAFETY EDUCATION AND PUBLIC AWARENESS.
- 16 JIM AND RAJ? ALL RIGHT! [ APPLAUSE ]

18 JAMES NOYES: MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I JUST WANT TO

- 19 THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE TODAY AND FOR THE
- 20 VALUABLE RECOGNITION YOU GIVE TO THE PEOPLE OF OUR BUILDING
- 21 AND SAFETY DIVISION WHO DO DO A TREMENDOUS JOB IN SEEING TO IT
- 22 THAT OUR PUBLIC FACILITIES AND PRIVATE CONSTRUCTION IS SAFE
- 23 AND IS BUILT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPROPRIATE BUILDING
- 24 CODES. THANK YOU AGAIN VERY MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU ALL. I'M GOING TO ASK SUPERVISOR
- 2 BURKE TO JOIN ME IN THIS FAIR HOUSING PRESENTATION AS WE
- 3 DECLARE THE MONTH OF APRIL FAIR HOUSING MONTH. I'M GOING TO
- 4 ASK CARLOS JACKSON AND FRANCIS ESPINOSA, THE EXECUTIVE
- 5 DIRECTOR OF THE HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER TO JOIN ME IN THIS
- 6 PRESENTATION AND I KNOW THAT SUPERVISOR BURKE, AS WELL, HAS A
- 7 SCROLL AND SOME COMMENTS AS WELL. BECAUSE THIS MONTH MARKS THE
- 8 36TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF
- 9 1968, IT GUARANTEES THE RIGHTS TO EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES
- 10 TO PERSON REGARDLESS OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, NATIONAL,
- 11 ORIGIN, GENDERS, FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN, PERSONS WITH
- 12 DISABILITIES. SO, THEREFORE, IT'S OUR PLEASURE TO NOT ONLY TO
- 13 PROMOTE BUT ALSO TO CONTINUE SUPPORT ALL THE FAIR HOUSING
- 14 ACTIVITIES HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SUPERVISOR
- 15 BURKE?

- 17 SUP. BURKE: WELL, THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. I'D LIKE TO
- 18 CALL CHRISTELLA ESTRADA OF THE FAIR HOUSING FOUNDATION
- 19 FORWARD. AS SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS SAID, THE NATION'S FAIR
- 20 HOUSING LAW REQUIRES THAT ALL PEOPLE BE TREATED EQUALLY IN
- 21 CONNECTION WITH THE SALE AND RENTAL OF HOUSING. I'D LIKE TO
- 22 ADD THAT THAT INCLUDES PEOPLE OF ANY GENDER, IDENTITY, OR
- 23 SEXUAL ORIENTATION AS WELL. THE FAIR HOUSING FOUNDATION IS A
- 24 PRIVATE, NONPROFIT, NONPARTISAN, EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION THAT
- 25 INVESTIGATES HOUSING DISCRIMINATION REPORTS. THE FOUNDATION



- 1 ALSO PROVIDES COUNSELING TO LANDLORDS AND TENANTS ON RIGHTS
- 2 AND RESPONSIBILITIES. I'M VERY PLEASED TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL
- 3 ACKNOWLEDGING THE PROCLAMATION OF FAIR HOUSING MONTH TO THE
- 4 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO CRISTELLA ESTRADA, PROGRAM
- 5 COORDINATOR FOR THE FOUNDATION. THE FOUNDATION HAS OFFICES IN
- 6 SOUTH LOS ANGELES, IN THE SECOND DISTRICT AND IN THE CITY OF
- 7 LONG BEACH IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND I ENCOURAGE COUNTY
- 8 RESIDENTS TO OBSERVE FAIR HOUSING MONTH BY ATTENDING EVENTS
- 9 AND ACTIVITIES BEING ORGANIZED BY THE FAIR HOUSING FOUNDATION
- 10 AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO FOCUS
- 11 ATTENTION ON THE ISSUES OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IN HOUSING THIS
- 12 MONTH. AND I HAVE TO TELL YOU, AS SOMEONE WHO, WHEN THEY WENT
- 13 TO SACRAMENTO, HAD TO SUE IN ORDER TO GET INTO AN APARTMENT--
- 14 FORTUNATELY, I WAS SUCCESSFUL-- I CERTAINLY APPRECIATE THE
- 15 NEED TO HAVE FAIR HOUSING MONTH AND TO EDUCATE PEOPLE ON THE
- 16 NECESSITY OF MAKING AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE OPPORTUNITIES FOR
- 17 HOUSING. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 19 CRISTELLA ESTRADA: GOOD MORNING. ON BEHALF OF THE HOUSING
- 20 RIGHTS CENTER, THE FAIR HOUSING FOUNDATION AND THE FAIR
- 21 HOUSING COUNCIL OF SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, WHO WE WORK WITH IN
- 22 PARTNERSHIP TO PROVIDE FOR HOUSING SERVICES TO L.A. COUNTY, I
- 23 WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR PROCLAIMING THIS
- 24 NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH. THE FAIR HOUSING ORGANIZATIONS
- 25 AND THE HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER'S MAIN MISSION IS TO FIGHT



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HOUSING DISCRIMINATION, WHICH WE HAVE BEEN DOING FOR OVER 20
    YEARS IN L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU.
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    SPEAKER: I WANTED TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
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   ACKNOWLEDGING APRIL FOR HOUSING MONTH. THANK YOU.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? [
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    APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS, THIS IS THE MONTH THAT
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    WE'RE GOING TO PROCLAIM AS EQUESTRIAN SAFETY MONTH IN ORDER TO
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    EDUCATE THE DRIVERS IN THE CHATSWORTH COMMUNITY TO UNDERSTAND
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    AND RESPECT HORSES WHEN DRIVING BY THEIR HORSES AND RIDERS.
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    PLANS FOR EQUESTRIAN SAFETY MONTH WILL INCLUDING DISPLAYING
    POSTERS AND BANNERS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY AND INVITING
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    CHATSWORTH SCHOOLS TO TAKE PART IN COMMUNITY FIELD TRIPS TO
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    COMMUNITY HORSE RANCHES, TO PARTICIPATE IN EQUESTRIAN SAFETY-
    ORIENTED ART CONTEST WITH PRIZES BEING AWARDED TO THE WINNERS.
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    THIS MORNING, WE HAVE WITH US JERRY ENGLAND, WHO IS THE
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    CHAIRMAN OF THE CHATSWORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL, EQUESTRIAN
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    COMMITTEE AND PRESIDENT OF THE CHATSWORTH E.C.H.O. WE HAVE
    RHONDA MILLS, WHO IS THE VICE PRESIDENT OF E.C.H.O. AND WHO IS
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    ALSO OWNER OF WEST COAST ARTIST AND SHE'S DONATED $1,000 IN
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- 1 PRIZE MONEY FOR THE CHATSWORTH SCHOOL CHILDREN'S ART PROGRAM
- 2 AND JACK CUNNINGHAM, WHO IS PRESIDENT OF THE EQUESTRIAN
- 3 TRAILS, INCORPORATED, CORRAL 54 AND SECRETARY OF THE
- 4 CHATSWORTH NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL EQUESTRIAN COMMITTEE. SO, AT
- 5 THIS TIME, LET ME GIVE THIS TO JERRY. [ APPLAUSE ]

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH: RHONDA? AND TO JACK. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 9 JERRY ENGLAND: I'D LIKE TO TAKE AN OPPORTUNITY TO THANK
- 10 MICHAEL FOR EVERYTHING HE'S DONE FOR EQUESTRIANS THROUGHOUT
- 11 LOS ANGELES COUNTY, NOT JUST EQUESTRIAN SAFETY MONTH, BUT HE'S
- 12 BEEN A BIG SUPPORTER. I'VE EVEN BEEN ON ONE OF HIS RIDES, SO I
- 13 KNOW HE'S A HORSEMAN, TOO. THANK YOU, MICHAEL.

- 15 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND OUR NEXT RIDE IS GOING TO BE IN JUNE, IF
- 16 ANYBODY'S INTERESTED AND WE'RE GOING TO BE RIDING IN THE LA
- 17 CANADA/ALTADENA AREA OF ONE OF THE NEWER TRAILS. NOW WE'RE
- 18 GOING TO WELCOME EVELYN GAULT, WHO HAS BEEN DEDICATED COUNTY
- 19 POLLWORKER IN THE CLAREMONT COMMUNITY FOR THE PAST 17 YEARS,
- 20 MANY OF THOSE AS A PRECINCT INSPECTOR AND SERVING MOSTLY
- 21 RECENTLY IN THE MARCH 2ND, 2004 ELECTION. AND TO GIVE YOU AN
- 22 IDEA OF HER DEDICATION. AS WE KNOW, ON NOVEMBER 4TH, THERE WAS
- 23 AN ELECTION BUT, PRIOR TO THAT ELECTION, THAT AREA WAS
- 24 DEVASTATED BY ONE OF THE WORST FIRES IN OUR COUNTY'S HISTORY.
- 25 THE FIRE HAD COMPLETELY DESTROYED MANY HOMES BETWEEN OCTOBER



- 1 21ST THROUGH NOVEMBER 15TH AND THAT WAS THE THOUSANDS OF ACRES
- 2 OF HOMES THAT HAD-- AND HOMES THAT HAD BEEN DESTROYED. AND HER
- 3 HOME WAS ONE OF THOSE THAT WAS DESTROYED. THIS WAS A HOME
- 4 WHERE THEY LIVED FOR 32 YEARS AND HER INVOLVEMENT IN THAT
- 5 COMMUNITY DATES BACK TO HER BEING THE PRESIDENT OF THE
- 6 CLAREMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. AND SHE'S ALSO BEEN QUITE
- 7 INVOLVED IN RAISING FUNDS FOR PILGRIM PLACE AND THAT'S A
- 8 RETIREMENT HOME IN CLAREMONT FOR PASTORS AND CHRISTIAN
- 9 MISSIONARIES. AND SHE'S HELPED PILGRIMS PLACE ORGANIZE AN
- 10 ANNUAL BAZAAR WHICH IS HELD ANNUALLY THE WEEK BEFORE
- 11 THANKSGIVING WITH ITS PROCEEDS BENEFITING THE CENTER AND WERE
- 12 USED RECENTLY TO BUILD A NEW OLYMPIC-SIZE SWIMMING POOL FOR
- 13 THE CENTER. BUT, AGAIN, AFTER HER HOME WAS DESTROYED BY THE
- 14 FIRE, SHE STILL CAME FORWARD TO VOLUNTEER TO KEEP THOSE POLLS
- 15 OPERATING, AND THAT'S THE TYPE OF DEDICATION THAT'S SO
- 16 INDICATIVE OF EVELYN AND THE SPIRIT OF THE COUNTY OF ANGELS
- 17 AND THAT'S LOS ANGELES. SO, EVELYN, CONGRATULATIONS. [
- 18 APPLAUSE ]

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- 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH: HOW ARE YOU DOING? WE HAVE EVELYN AND THEN WE
- 21 HAVE CONNIE MCCORMACK, OUR REGISTRAR RECORDER.

- 23 EVELYN GAULT: I WANT TO THANK MICHAEL. I WANT TO THANK
- 24 EVERYBODY FOR THIS LOVELY AWARD. IT'S SO NICE TO GET AN AWARD
- 25 FOR SOMETHING I REALLY LOVE AND ENJOY DOING IT. I REALLY HAVE



- I A WONDERFUL PRECINCT, I HAVE COOPERATION, AND THAT REALLY
- 2 MAKES MY JOB TO MAKE IT MY 17TH YEAR! [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 4 CONNIE MCCORMACK: I THINK EVELYN JUST EPITOMIZES THE TYPE OF
- 5 INDIVIDUALS WE HAVE AS VOLUNTEERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. CAN
- 6 YOU IMAGINE YOUR HOME BURNING TO THE GROUND THE DAY SHE PICKED
- 7 UP HER ELECTION SUPPLIES? SHE'D ALREADY CHECKED THEM. SHE HAD
- 8 10 MINUTES TO EVACUATE HER HOME. SHE LOST EVERYTHING, EVERY
- 9 PICTURE OF HER FAMILY, EVERYTHING SHE HAD EVER OWNED AND THE
- 10 ELECTION SUPPLIES BURNED. WE WERE ABLE TO REPLACE THOSE, THAT
- 11 WAS EASY. EVERYTHING ELSE, FIVE/SIX DAYS LATER, SHE WAS OUT
- 12 THERE WORKING AT THE POLLS. I THINK IT'S JUST AN AMAZING LEVEL
- 13 OF DEDICATION. THANK YOU, EVELYN. WE REALLY APPRECIATE. YOU'RE
- 14 A STAR IN OUR BOOK. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 16 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME JESSE DUFF, WHO
- 17 IS RETIRING AS THE CITY MANAGER OF DUARTE AFTER SERVING THE
- 18 CITY FOR 25 YEARS. HE JOINED THE CITY BACK IN 1979 AS DIRECTOR
- 19 FOR PARKS AND RECREATION, THEN WAS APPOINTED CITY MANAGER,
- 20 COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BY THE CITY
- 21 COUNCIL BACK IN 1986. HE'S BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING
- 22 THE POLICIES AND DIRECTIVES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE
- 23 REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY. HE'S SUPERVISED THE ACTIVITIES OF THE
- 24 CITY'S VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS AND MADE VERY
- 25 IMPORTANT POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COUNCIL, REPRESENTED



- 1 THE CITY IN LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS, ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES,
- 2 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND INTERACTIONS WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL
- 3 ENTITIES. HE ALSO SERVED AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S SECRETARY
- 4 OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND
- 5 THE CITY TREASURER. I'VE ALWAYS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK
- 6 WITH JESSE. AS ONE OF MY RESPONSIBILITIES, I MEET WITH EACH OF
- 7 MY CITIES EVERY YEAR. WE HAVE BREAKFAST OR LUNCH AND WE
- 8 DISCUSS THE VARIOUS ISSUES AND COORDINATE WITH OUR STAFF SO WE
- 9 CAN BETTER SERVE OUR COMMUNITIES. AND JESSE HAS BEEN ONE OF
- 10 THE ONE OF THE VERY PROACTIVE CITY MANAGERS IN THIS COUNTY WHO
- 11 HAS BEEN VERY PROFESSIONAL, AN HONEST INDIVIDUAL, A GOOD ROLE
- 12 MODEL AND A INDIVIDUAL THAT MY STAFF AND I HAVE HAD THE
- 13 PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH AND ALONGSIDE TO ENSURE THAT WE CAN
- 14 IMPROVE THE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITIES THAT WE REPRESENT. SO,
- 15 JESSE, I'M SORRY TO SEE YOU RETIRE BUT I APPRECIATED THE
- 16 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH YOU AND CONSIDER YOU A GOOD FRIEND AS
- 17 WE'VE MADE OUR COUNTY A BETTER PLACE FOR ALL AS WELL AS THE
- 18 CITY OF DUARTE, A WONDERFUL CITY. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 20 JESSE H. DUFF: THANK YOU, MIKE. I HAVE WITH ME TODAY COUNCIL
- 21 MEMBER MARGARET FINLEY, COUNCIL MEMBER LOIS GASTON, MY SISTER,
- 22 BETTY BROWN, MY MOTHER, CLAUDINE DUFF AND MY WIFE, SALLY DUFF.
- 23 FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT MY CAREER SPANS 33 YEARS.
- 24 ALL 33 YEARS HAVE BEEN WITH CONTRACT CITIES, THE LAST 25 YEARS
- 25 WITH THE CITY OF DUARTE. THE CITY OF DUARTE IS A CONTRACT CITY



- 1 AND, AS THE BOARD KNOWS, AND CERTAINLY MIKE KNOWS, A CONTRACT
- 2 CITY RELIES VERY HEAVILY ON THE DEPARTMENTS OF LOS ANGELES
- 3 COUNTY TO PROVIDE MANY IMPORTANT SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITY.
- 4 THE SUCCESSES THAT MIKE TALKED ABOUT EARLIER THAT DUARTE HAS
- 5 HAD OVER THE LAST 25 YEARS, IF YOU ANALYZE ALL OF THOSE
- 6 SUCCESSES, WHETHER IT'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OR IMPROVING OUR
- 7 PUBLIC SAFETY AND OUR CRIME RATE, NEW PARKS, NEW PUBLIC
- 8 FACILITIES, IF YOU ANALYZE THOSE AND YOU DIG DOWN DEEPLY
- 9 ENOUGH, THERE IS A COUNTY DEPARTMENT THAT PLAYED A VERY
- 10 IMPORTANT ROLE IN THOSE SUCCESSES. SO I THANK YOU FOR THE
- 11 HONOR. I REALLY APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION AND I WOULD LIKE TO
- 12 SAY THAT THE CITY OF DUARTE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF DUARTE,
- 13 WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS GIVEN
- 14 US OVER THE YEARS. IT'S A PARTNERSHIP THAT WE ALL CHERISH AND
- 15 GREATLY VALUE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MIKE. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 17 SPEAKER: THANK YOU, MIKE. I JUST WANTED TO GO AHEAD AND
- 18 MENTION SOMETHING. OUR CITY MANAGER TENDS TO BE KIND OF SHY
- 19 ABOUT HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS BUT I JUST WANT TO LET YOU KNOW, I
- 20 GREW UP IN ARCADIA, WHICH WAS AN ADJACENT CITY, YOU KNOW, BACK
- 21 IN THE LATE '60S, EARLY '70S, AND I JUST REMEMBER GOING OUT ON
- 22 FRIDAY NIGHTS AND MY PARENTS SAYING, "DON'T GO ANYWHERE NEAR
- 23 DUARTE, WE WANT YOU TO RETURN HOME SAFELY." AND, TRULY, IN THE
- 24 LAST 20, 25 YEARS, DUE TO PEOPLE LIKE JESSE DUFF AND PRIMARILY
- 25 JESSE, BECAUSE HE'S BEEN SUCH A GREAT CITY MANAGER, DUARTE HAS



- 1 COME A LONG WAY. ADDITIONALLY, WITH OUR WORK WITH THE COUNTY
- 2 DEPARTMENTS, SUCH AS FIRE AND SHERIFF'S, WE HAVE BECOME A MUCH
- 3 SAFER CITY, ONE OF THE SAFEST CITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO
- 4 I AM GRATEFUL TO JESSE FOR THIS. A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO, IN THE
- 5 EARLY '90S, WHEN THE STATE WAS TAKING MONEY FROM US, AS THEY
- 6 FREQUENTLY DO, JESSE SAID, "YOU BETTER GO AHEAD AND START
- 7 SAVING BECAUSE RIGHT NOW, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THIS HAPPEN
- 8 AGAIN." WELL, WE CALL JESSE THE SIX-MILLION-DOLLAR MAN BECAUSE
- 9 WE HAVE A RESERVE OF \$6 MILLION AND THAT'S A LOT FOR A CITY
- 10 OUR SIZE. SO I JUST WANT TO GO AHEAD AND SAY PUBLICLY, I'M
- 11 GOING TO MISS JESSE, HE HAS BEEN A TREMENDOUS CITY MANAGER,
- 12 HE'S BEEN ALMOST MORE LIKE A BROTHER TO ME AND, TRULY, WE ARE
- 13 A MUCH BETTER CITY BECAUSE OF JESSE DUFF. THANKS AGAIN. THANK
- 14 YOU, MIKE. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 16 SPEAKER: AS A NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIAL IN THE CITY OF DUARTE, I
- 17 AM GRATEFUL TO THE CITIZENS OF THAT COMMUNITY, BUT MOST OF ALL
- 18 TO MY CITY MANAGER, WHO'S TAKEN ME UNDER HIS WINGS AND SPENDS
- 19 TIME TRAINING ME ON ALL THE THINGS THAT NEED TO BE DONE AND
- 20 ALL THE BEHIND-THE-SCENE THINGS THAT GO ON IN CITY GOVERNMENT.
- 21 SO, NORMALLY, ON TUESDAYS AT 10:00, HE AND I HAVE A DATE FOR A
- 22 TRAINING SESSION. IT'S WONDERFUL TO HAVE HIM HOLD IT HERE IN
- 23 THE COUNTY SUPERVISORS' CHAMBERS TODAY. HE HAS JUST REALLY
- 24 MADE ME FEEL COMFORTABLE MOVING FROM THE ROLE OF A COMMUNITY
- 25 VOLUNTEER INTO THAT OF A PUBLIC OFFICIAL AND I WILL ALWAYS BE



- 1 GRATEFUL TO HIM FOR WHAT HE'S DONE TO BRING OUR COMMUNITY FROM
- 2 IN THE RED TO A VERY SOLID FINANCIAL POSITION AT THIS
- 3 PARTICULAR TIME WHEN OUR STATE AND OUR NATION IS STRUGGLING
- 4 WITH UNBELIEVABLE BUDGETS AND DEBTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
- 5 SUPERVISOR, FOR ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE TO ENCOURAGE US. I AM
- 6 VERY PLEASED TO BE NOW CARRYING A BADGE OF THE COUNTY
- 7 SHERIFF'S. I FEEL VERY COMFORTABLE IN THIS NEW ROLE. EVEN
- 8 THOUGH I'VE LOST JESSE, I KNOW THAT I HAVE THE SERVICES OF THE
- 9 COUNTY BEHIND ME AS I FIGHT TO MAINTAIN ALL OF THE THINGS THAT
- 10 JESSE HAS HELPED US ATTAIN IN THE LAST FEW YEARS. THANK YOU
- 11 VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR OF BEING HERE TODAY. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE ONE OF OUR
- 14 UNDERSTANDING JURISTS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, A MEMBER
- 15 OF THE SUPERIOR COURT WHO IS NOW RETIRING AND THAT'S JUDGE
- 16 JOHN OUDERKIRK, WHO IS RETIRING AFTER 15 YEARS OF SERVICE. HE
- 17 WAS ORIGINALLY APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR GEORGE DEUKMEJIAN BACK IN
- 18 1989 TO THE MUNICIPAL COURT AND THEN ELEVATED BY GOVERNOR
- 19 DEUKMEJIAN TO THE SUPERIOR COURT IN 1991. HE HAS PRESIDED IN
- 20 SOME OF THE VERY HIGH PROFILE CASES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY,
- 21 INCLUDING THE BEATING OF TRUCK DRIVER REGINALD DENNY AT THE
- 22 FLASH POINT OF THE 1992 RIOTS. HIS FORMAL RETIREMENT COMES ONE
- 23 WEEK SHY OF 39TH SERVICE TO THE COUNTY. HE WAS SWORN INTO-- AS
- 24 A DEPUTY-- I SHOULD SAY, AS A POLICE OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF
- 25 SANTA MONICA, A POSITION HE HELD FOR FIVE YEARS BEFORE JOINING



- 1 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AS
- 2 INVESTIGATOR. AND THEN, AS AN INVESTIGATOR, HE ATTENDED LAW
- 3 SCHOOL, LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL AT NIGHT, GRADUATING IN 1977 TO
- 4 BECOME A PROSECUTOR WITH OUR COUNTY. SO, AT THIS TIME, WE
- 5 WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE JOHN ON BEHALF OF THE 10 MILLION
- 6 CITIZENS OF OUR GREAT COUNTY FOR THE SERVICE THAT HE HAS
- 7 PROVIDED OUR CITIZENS IN CARRYING OUT DUE PROCESS ON OUR COURT
- 8 SYSTEM. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 10 JUDGE JOHN W. OUDERKIRK: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.
- 11 THIS IS A PARTICULARLY SPECIAL HONOR COMING FROM YOURSELF. WE
- 12 SHARE SOME BACKGROUND EXPERIENCES AS FAR AS BEING POLICE
- 13 OFFICERS IN THE PAST AND YOU ARE A PERSON WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED
- 14 GREATLY TO THE PUBLIC'S ACCESS TO COURTHOUSES IN SUPPORTING
- 15 THE CONSTRUCTION OF COURTHOUSES. IN THE LAST FOUR YEARS, I'VE
- 16 SERVED UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF JUDGE AVIVA BOBB, WHO HAS COME
- 17 HERE TODAY. SHE'S THE SUPERVISING JUDGE OF FAMILY LAW. AND, IN
- 18 FAMILY LAW, WE RECEIVED AN IMPORTANT GIFT FROM THE BOARD OF
- 19 SUPERVISORS, IN THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE CHILD'S WAITING ROOM,
- 20 WHICH WE SAW THAT EVERY DAY. WE WOULD WALK DOWN THE HALLS OF
- 21 THE COURTHOUSE AND YOU'D SEE YOUNG CHILDREN AND BABIES ON THE
- 22 FLOOR AND SO FORTH AND NOW WE HAVE A SAFE PLACE FOR THEM TO
- 23 BE. AND I'D LIKE TO THANK MY STAFF, MY DEPUTY, THE BAILIFF,
- 24 RUBEN HERNANDEZ.



1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ALL YOU, COME UP. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 3 JUDGE JOHN W. OUDERKIRK: COULD WE HAVE JUDGE BOBB UP HERE,
- 4 TOO? DON'T BE SHY.

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6 SUP. ANTONOVICH: JUDGE BOBB, DO YOU WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?

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- 8 JUDGE BOBB: I JUST WANT TO THANK THE BOARD FOR ITS RECOGNITION
- 9 OF JUDGE OUDERKIRK. HE REALLY HAS BEEN AN OUTSTANDING JURIST,
- 10 NOT ONLY JUST BY THE NUMBER OF YEARS HE HAS SPENT ON THE BENCH
- 11 BUT THE QUALITY OF WORK HE HAS DONE. PEOPLE UNIFORMLY HAVE
- 12 COMMENTED HOW FAIR AND JUST HE IS AND HOW MUCH THEY APPRECIATE
- 13 SERVING IN FRONT OF HIM. SO HIS RETIREMENT MAY BE TO HIS
- 14 BETTERMENT BUT IT'S CERTAINLY A LOSS TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
- 15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR.

- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP JUANITA HEINLY,
- 18 WHO IS RETIRING AFTER 35 YEARS WITH OUR PARKS AND RECREATION,
- 19 WHERE SHE HAS SERVED AS A RECREATION SERVICE LEADER, INVOLVED
- 20 IN THE MARKETING PROMOTION AS THE ASSISTANT IN THE NORTH
- 21 DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS IN NEWHALL. SHE'S BEEN THERE SINCE 1968,
- 22 AND ONE OF THE PROJECTS SHE WAS INVOLVED WITH WAS PROMOTING
- 23 THE ANNUAL SPRING ADULT FISHING DERBY WHICH RAISED THE FUNDS
- 24 TO BENEFIT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE YOUTH-- FOR YOUTH FISHING
- 25 DERBY. SHE'S BEEN ACTIVELY INVOLVED WITH NUMEROUS



- 1 ORGANIZATIONS AND AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE SANTA CLARITA
- 2 VALLEY, INCLUDING THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY COMMITTEE ON AGING,
- 3 THE SOCIAL SERVICE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL AND THE
- 4 ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZENS DANCE PARTIES. SHE'S ALSO BEEN HONORED
- 5 COUNTLESS TIMES FOR HER EFFORTS IN PROMOTING COMMUNITY
- 6 INTERESTS AND INVOLVEMENT IN PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS
- 7 ADVANTAGEOUS TO BOTH THE YOUNG AND TO THE OLD. SOME OF HER
- 8 AWARDS HAVE INCLUDED BEING THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 2000 YEAR
- 9 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR RECIPIENT, ALSO THE RECIPIENT OF TWO
- 10 L.A. COUNTY SENIOR CITIZEN COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS, SPECIAL
- 11 RECOGNITION AWARD FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SHE
- 12 WAS NAMED THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WOMAN OF THE YEAR BACK IN
- 13 1978. SO, JUANITA, ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE
- 14 RECOGNIZE YOU FOR THESE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE AND WISH YOU
- 15 CONTINUED SUCCESS AND GOD BLESS YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 17 JUANITA M. HEINLY: TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THANK
- 18 YOU SO MUCH. THIS RECOGNITION IS TRULY A WONDERFUL THING FOR
- 19 ME. AFTER MY 35 YEARS OF WORKING WITH WONDERFUL PEOPLE, ALL
- 20 THESE PEOPLE, THEY ARE THE ONES WHO MADE ME WHAT I AM. MY
- 21 FRIENDS AND, OF COURSE, MY FAMILY. AND I THINK ONE THING I
- 22 MUST NOT LEAVE HERE WITHOUT SAYING, I HAVE A VERY WONDERFUL
- 23 FRIEND, A SPECIAL FRIEND FOR MANY, MANY YEARS AND THE
- 24 GENTLEMAN IS MY SUPERVISOR, MICHAEL ANTONOVICH. THANK YOU VERY
- 25 MUCH. [ APPLAUSE ]



1 TIMOTHY GALLAGHER: HI, JUANITA. WE GET TO SEE YOU AGAIN 2 3

- TONIGHT. THIS HAS BEEN WONDERFUL. 35 YEARS AGO-- SHE GOES BACK
- TO MY CHILDHOOD WHEN SHE WAS STILL WORKING AT ONE OF THE PARKS 4
- 5 THAT I LATER ENDED UP MANAGING AND WE'VE JOKED ABOUT THIS A
- FEW TIMES BUT SHE'S A GREAT INDIVIDUAL AND A GREAT LEADER. 6
- 7 WE'RE GOING TO MISS YOU TREMENDOUSLY AND BEST LUCK AND I'LL
- 8 SEE YOU ON YOUR BACK PORCH. [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]

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- SUP. ANTONOVICH: INTRODUCE YOUR FAMILY. INTRODUCE YOUR FAMILY. 10
- [ INDISTINCT CHATTER ] 11

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13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MIKE?

- SUP. ANTONOVICH: OKAY. NOW WE HAVE LITTLE CASPER. CASPER IS 15
- 16 EIGHT WEEKS OLD, DOMESTIC LONG HAIR. AND THIS ONE-- OH, I'M
- SORRY. THIS ONE, LITTLE CASPER, WAS ADOPTED BEFORE SHE EVEN--17
- 18 OR HE MADE HIS DEBUT ON TELEVISION AND HE'S BEEN ADOPTED BY
- 19 BEN AND SARAH, WHO IS JOE'S DEPUTY TO SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
- AND IS GOING TO RESIDE IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF 20
- SOUTH PASADENA. SO WE'RE VERY PLEASED. I'M GOING TO HAVE A NEW 21
- 22 CONSTITUENT, CASPER. BUT CASPER HAS A LOT OF RELATIVES. IF
- 23 ANYBODY AT HOME IS LISTENING AND WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT, YOU CAN
- 24 CALL THE AREA CODE 562-728-4644 OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WHO

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WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT A CASPER. THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER CASPERS
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    AROUND. CONGRATULATIONS. [ MEOWING ] [ APPLAUSE ]
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE, I BELIEVE...
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    SUP. BURKE: I HAVE NO PRESENTATIONS.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. ALL RIGHTY. WE'LL GO TO THE AGENDA,
    THEN. ZEV-- OR GLORIA, DO YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS?
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DO.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. ZEV?
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'D LIKE TO ASK BILLIE WEISS TO COME UP HERE
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    AND, ACTUALLY, YOUR DAUGHTER, MARNEY, ALSO. MEMBERS OF THE
    BOARD, IT'S KIND OF A BITTERSWEET PRESENTATION WE'RE MAKING TO
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    BILLIE WEISS, WHO IS RETIRING WITH 23 YEARS OF WORKING FOR THE
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    COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES' DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. DURING
    THAT TIME, BILLIE HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO THE ERADICATION OF
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    VIOLENCE IN OUR SOCIETY THROUGH THE DEVELOPMENT AND
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    IMPLEMENTATION OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAMS. AS THE
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    DIRECTOR OF THE COUNTY'S INJURY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION
    PROGRAM AND FOUNDER OF THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION COALITION OF
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GREATER LOS ANGELES, SHE IS LEAVING HER POSITION AS A



- 1 NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED LEADER IN HER FIELD. HER WORK IS FOCUSED
- 2 ON ALL FORMS OF INJURY AND VIOLENCE, INCLUDING DOMESTIC
- 3 VIOLENCE, CHILD ABUSE, VIOLENT CRIME, GANG VIOLENCE, SEXUAL
- 4 ASSAULTS, AND POISONINGS. SHE HAS BEEN A LEADER IN THE
- 5 MOVEMENT TO CONTROL THE PROLIFERATION OF FIREARMS IN OUR
- 6 SOCIETY, AN ALUMNUS OF CAL STATE FULLERTON AND U.C.L.A., WHERE
- 7 SHE RECEIVED HER MASTERS IN PUBLIC HEALTH. BILLIE SERVED IN
- 8 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL, THE
- 9 AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS, THE POISON PREVENTION AND
- 10 INJURY CONTROL COMMITTEE, WOMEN AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE AND THE
- 11 NATIONAL HEALTH NETWORK. IN 2001, SHE WAS SELECTED BY THE
- 12 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY AS THE REGIONAL PUBLIC
- 13 HEALTH HERO AND WAS RECOGNIZED BY THE AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH
- 14 ASSOCIATION FOR HER WORK. SHE RECEIVED THE "KEEP IT COOL IN
- 15 THE HOOD" AWARD AND THE DREAM REDEEMER AWARD FROM CRENSHAW
- 16 HIGH SCHOOL. SHE ALSO RECEIVED THE MILTON ROAMER AWARD FROM
- 17 THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION. WITH BILLIE'S
- 18 DEPARTURE, I THINK IT'S FAIR TO SAY THAT WE'RE LOSING ONE OF
- 19 OUR BEST PEOPLE, SOMEONE THAT WE VALUE NOT ONLY FOR WHAT SHE
- 20 HAS ACCOMPLISHED BUT FOR WHO SHE IS AND WHAT SHE REPRESENTS, A
- 21 PASSIONATELY COMMITTED PUBLIC SERVANT DEDICATED TO THE
- 22 PREVENTION OF INJURY AND VIOLENCE AND THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE
- 23 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS, ALL RESIDENTS OF LOS
- 24 ANGELES COUNTY. AND ON, AGAIN, ON A PERSONAL NOTE, I WANT TO
- 25 THANK HER FOR ALL THE WORK SHE'S DONE WORKING WITH OUR OFFICE



- 1 AND WITH THE BOARD. YOU'RE A WOMAN OF GREAT COURAGE AND
- 2 COMMITMENT AND WE HAVE ALL BENEFITED FROM YOUR SERVICE AND THE
- 3 10 MILLION PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND I WOULD DARE SAY
- 4 THAT, BEYOND THE COUNTY, THERE ARE PEOPLE ALL OVER THE COUNTRY
- 5 WHO HAVE BENEFITED FROM YOUR PACE-SETTING WORK AND WE WILL
- 6 MISS YOU MORE THAN WE REALLY CAN APPRECIATE TODAY. BILLIE,
- 7 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SERVICE TO LOS ANGELES. [
- 8 APPLAUSE ]

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- 10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: BEFORE BILLIE SAYS A WORD, I'D LIKE TO ASK
- 11 DR. TOM GARTHWAITE, OUR DIRECTOR OF HEALTH, TO SAY A WORD.

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- 13 DR. THOMAS GARTHWAITE: I THINK, FOR MANY YEARS AGO, WE PUT IN
- 14 A LOT OF EFFORT TO IRON LUNGS BUT EVENTUALLY SAULK CONSAVEN
- 15 AND OTHERS FIGURED OUT HOW TO PREVENT POLIO. TODAY, WE REALLY
- 16 HAVE A LOT OF EMPHASIS AND THERE'S A LOT OF GLORY AND MONEY IN
- 17 OUR TRAUMA SYSTEM BUT WHERE WE REALLY NEED TO PUT MORE EFFORT
- 18 IS IN PREVENTION OF ALL THAT-- ALL THAT DISEASE AND
- 19 UNAVOIDABLE TRAUMA AND BILLIE'S BEEN TREMENDOUS AT USING DATA,
- 20 EDUCATION, A VERY SMALL NUMBER OF RESOURCES AND TREMENDOUS
- 21 COMMUNITY COLLABORATION AND ACCOMPLISHING VERY SIGNIFICANT
- 22 PREVENTION OF VIOLENCE AND TRAUMA AND WE'RE GOING TO MISS HER
- 23 GREATLY. THANKS FOR ALL YOU'VE DONE. [ APPLAUSE ]



- 1 SUP. BURKE: I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY TO BILLIE HOW MUCH I'VE
- 2 ENJOYED WORKING WITH HER AND HOW IMPORTANT HER WORK HAS BEEN
- 3 IN THE WHOLE AREA OF VIOLENCE PREVENTION. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT
- 4 BUT THERE'S BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF OUTREACH AND THE COUNTY HAS
- 5 RECEIVED SO MUCH MORE LEGITIMACY IN TERMS OF A VERY SINCERE
- 6 EFFORT TO ELIMINATE GANG VIOLENCE AS A RESULT OF ALL OF HER
- 7 WORK. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU.

- 9 BILLIE WEISS: THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE'S MUCH
- 10 WORK STILL TO BE DONE AND SO I MAY NOT BE A COUNTY EMPLOYEE
- 11 BUT I AM NOT GOING TO NOT BE DOING THIS WORK, I'M TOO
- 12 COMMITTED TO IT, I GUESS. BUT I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
- 13 YAROSLAVSKY FOR THIS VERY SPECIAL HONOR AND YOUR STAFF, RON
- 14 HANSON AND ALL OF YOUR STAFF AND RON IS A HEALTH DEPUTY AND I
- 15 KNOW HIM FOR A LONG TIME AND I KNOW MOST OF YOUR DEPUTIES. AND
- 16 I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT PUBLIC HEALTH REALLY DOES
- 17 INCLUDE ALL ELEMENTS OF THE COMMUNITY AND I KNOW HOW COMMITTED
- 18 YOU ARE TO PUBLIC HEALTH, ALL OF YOU AND JUST TO MENTION THAT
- 19 I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THIS BOARD AND THIS BOARD HAS SUPPORTED
- 20 THE WORK I HAVE DONE OVER THE YEARS AND I'D JUST LIKE TO
- 21 MENTION A FEW OF THE AREAS THAT I HOPE YOU'LL CONTINUE TO
- 22 SUPPORT. IN SUPERVISOR BURKE'S DISTRICT, WE'VE HAD THE
- 23 VIOLENCE PREVENTION COALITION AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON
- 24 PEDESTRIAN INJURY PREVENTION AS WELL. AND, IN SUPERVISOR
- 25 MOLINA'S DISTRICT, WE'RE WORKING ON PEDESTRIAN INJURY



- 1 PREVENTION AND WE HAVE A COALITION GOING THERE LOOKING AT
- 2 FALLS PREVENTION IN THE ELDERLY. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS
- 3 ALWAYS SUPPORTED OUR BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT AND SOME OF OUR
- 4 OTHER ISSUES. AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, OUR CAR SEAT PROGRAM,
- 5 I KNOW, IS GOING TO MOVE FORWARD AND THANK YOU FOR THAT
- 6 SUPPORT. I'VE HAD MANY OPPORTUNITIES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 7 HEALTH SERVICES AND I, LIKE MANY PEOPLE WHO STARTED RIGHT OUT
- 8 OF COLLEGE OR RIGHT OUT OF GETTING MY MASTER'S DEGREE, SAID,
- 9 YOU KNOW, "I'LL BE HERE FOR A FEW YEARS." BUT, SOMEHOW, THE
- 10 PEOPLE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND PARTICULARLY
- 11 IN PUBLIC HEALTH, ARE REALLY COMMITTED PROFESSIONALS. THEY
- 12 REALLY DO CARE. I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY STAFF, IF THEY'D JUST
- 13 STAND UP. I'D LIKE TO SHOW YOU THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WE'VE HAD
- 14 TO DO ALL THE WORK WE'VE DONE OVER THE YEARS. [ APPLAUSE ]

- 16 BILLY WEISS: AND NOBODY GETS TO DO WHAT I GOT TO DO IN A
- 17 DEPARTMENT LIKE HEALTH SERVICES WITHOUT TREMENDOUS SUPPORT
- 18 FROM THE HEAD OF OUR DEPARTMENT, FROM DR. FIELDING, FROM DR.
- 19 FANNIN BEFORE AND I'VE JUST BEEN VERY, VERY LUCKY AND VERY
- 20 GRATEFUL TO THE COUNTY FOR ALL THAT I HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO DO
- 21 AND ALLOWED TO ACCOMPLISH. AND THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT
- 22 AND JUST TO REMIND YOU THAT INJURY AND VIOLENCE ARE STILL THE
- 23 LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY
- 24 AND HOPE THAT YOU WILL ALL MAINTAIN YOUR COMMITMENT TO THAT



- 1 ISSUE AS WELL. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. I'M
- 2 VERY, VERY HONORED. [ APPLAUSE ]

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

- 6 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. ZEV IS SUPPOSED TO JOIN
- 7 ME. AS YOU KNOW, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS DECLARED THAT
- 8 APRIL IS "DONATE LIFE MONTH" THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. I'M
- 9 PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE ARE PARTNERING WITH ONE LEGACY
- 10 TRANSPORT DONOR NETWORK, A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO
- 11 LIFE SAVING AND LIFE ENHANCING BENEFITS OF ORGAN AND TISSUE
- 12 DONATIONS. ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION, AS WE ALL KNOW, IS A
- 13 LIFE-GIVING ACT AND IS THE GREATEST EXPRESSION OF COMPASSION.
- 14 EACH YEAR, ORGAN AND TISSUE TRANSPLANTATION SAVES OVER 23,000
- 15 LIVES AND IMPROVES THE OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE FOR MANY. THIS
- 16 MORNING, DR. PETER GREWEN, WHO IS OUR PRESIDENT-ELECT AT L.A.
- 17 COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL STAFF AND THE MEDICAL CENTER'S EXECUTIVE
- 18 DIRECTOR, MR. PETE DELGADO, HAVE JOINED ME. JOINING DR. GREWEN
- 19 AND MR. DELGADO IS ONE LEGACY. THEY'RE WORKING TOGETHER TO
- 20 DEVELOP WORKSHOPS FOR COUNTY MEDICAL STAFF AND ORGAN DONATION.
- 21 AT THIS TIME, I'M PLEASED TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO ONE
- 22 LEGACY, A DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS, MR. BRIAN STEWART, WHO
- 23 WILL TELL YOU MORE ABOUT THE VALUE OF ORGAN TRANSPLANTS AND
- 24 INTRODUCE SOME VERY SPECIAL INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE HERE TODAY.
- 25 PATRICIA ELORADAS, A KIDNEY RECIPIENT AND MR. HERSCHEL WEISS,



- 1 A DONOR FATHER. SO, TO MR. STEWART, I'D LIKE TO BRING THEM UP
- 2 ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD. WE THANK YOU FOR THE GOOD WORK THAT
- 3 YOU'RE DOING AND THE WORKING WITH US AND PARTNERING WITH US
- 4 AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, THE KIND OF WORK THAT YOU DO EVERY DAY
- 5 IN SAVING LIVES. CONGRATULATIONS.

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7 BRIAN STEWART: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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9 SUP. MOLINA: SO LET ME TURN IT OVER TO YOU.

- 11 BRIAN STEWART: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND TO
- 12 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. FOR ONE LEGACY, THE FEDERALLY
- 13 DESIGNATED ORGAN PROCUREMENT ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES SOUTHERN
- 14 CALIFORNIA, WE'RE VERY HAPPY TO ACCEPT THIS PROCLAMATION ON
- 15 BEHALF OF THE DONORS, DONOR FAMILY MEMBERS, TRANSPLANT
- 16 RECIPIENTS AND THEIR CAREGIVERS, THE HOSPITALS, INCLUDING OUR
- 17 FRIENDS AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, AS WELL AS THE
- 18 TRANSPLANT CENTERS AND THE DIALYSIS CENTERS IN OUR COMMUNITY.
- 19 NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH IS A VERY IMPORTANT TIME TO REMIND
- 20 OURSELVES THAT MORE THAN 5,000 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS IN OUR
- 21 COMMUNITY ARE LIVING IN THE FACE OF DIRE ILLNESS, AWAITING A
- 22 PHONE CALL TO LET THEM KNOW THAT SOMEONE HAS SAID "YES" TO
- 23 GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE. AND, WHEN YOU SAY "YES" TO ORGAN AND
- 24 TISSUE DONATION, YOU'RE NOT ONLY GIVING SOMEONE BACK THEIR
- 25 LIFE AND QUALITY OF LIFE, BUT YOU'RE GIVING THEM BACK TO THEIR



- 1 FAMILIES AND TO THEIR COMMUNITIES AND, TOGETHER, ALL WORKING
- 2 TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE OUR COMMUNITIES STRONGER. I'M VERY, VERY
- 3 PLEASED TO INTRODUCE TWO VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE FROM WITHIN OUR
- 4 COMMUNITY. WE HAVE HERSCHEL WEISS, WHOSE SON, MYRON, WAS AN
- 5 ORGAN DONOR IN 2001, AND PATRICIA ELORADAS, A KIDNEY
- 6 RECIPIENT. I'LL INTRODUCE HERSCHEL FIRST.

- 8 HERSCHEL WEISS: GOOD MORNING. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE. I'D
- 9 LIKE TO SAY, FIRST OF ALL, THAT, TWO AND A HALF YEARS AGO, I
- 10 LOST THE MOST WONDERFUL KID IN THE WHOLE WORLD AND IT IS IN
- 11 HIS HONOR THAT I'M HERE TODAY. IF I COULD ONLY ENCOURAGE
- 12 PEOPLE AND RAISE PUBLIC CONSCIOUSNESS REGARDING THE ACT OF
- 13 ORGAN DONATION. IT IS A LIFE-GIVING THING AND IT IS SO,
- 14 UNFORTUNATELY, SO OFTEN ASSOCIATED WITH DEATH. THIS IS
- 15 SOMETHING THAT IS VERY NECESSARY TO BRING UP TO YOUR FAMILIES
- 16 AND FRIENDS, IT'S TIME FOR SOME INTROSPECTION AND, IF YOU FEEL
- 17 THIS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO, TELL YOUR FRIENDS, TELL YOUR
- 18 COMMUNITY, TELL YOUR RELIGIOUS PEOPLE, DISCUSS THIS, AND, WHEN
- 19 YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH YOUR DECISION, THEN YOU CAN PROCEED
- 20 FORWARD. THE ACT WITH MYRON, IT WAS A VERY EASY TASK FOR ME TO
- 21 MAKE THIS DECISION BECAUSE HE HAD DISCUSSED IT WITH ME. HE
- 22 HAD, AT THE TENDER AGE OF 19, HE ALREADY HAD CONTEMPLATED WHAT
- 23 MIGHT HAPPEN AND HE SAID, WITHOUT ANY QUESTION, HE WOULD LIKE
- 24 TO BECOME AN ORGAN DONOR SO THERE WAS NO DIFFICULT DECISION
- 25 FOR ME TO MAKE AND I BLESS HIM FOR THAT. I'VE ALWAYS BEEN



1 PROUD OF HIM AND I'VE CERTAINLY NEVER BEEN PROUDER THAN I AM

2 RIGHT NOW OF MY DEAR SON, MYRON. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 4 PATRICIA ELORADAS: GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. IT'S AN HONOR AND A
- 5 PLEASURE TO BE HERE REPRESENTING KIDNEY RECIPIENTS OR
- 6 TRANSPLANT RECIPIENTS AND ALSO THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE
- 7 STILL ON THE WAITING LIST. I WANT TO THANK EACH AND EVERY
- 8 PERSON HERE THAT MADE THIS PROCLAMATION POSSIBLE IN BRINGING
- 9 AWARENESS OF ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION. I'M ALSO HERE TO GIVE
- 10 TESTIMONY THAT THERE IS LIFE, THAT ONE CAN LIVE A LIFE OF
- 11 HEALTH, A LIFE OF PRODUCTIVITY AFTER A TRANSPLANT AND THIS CAN
- 12 ONLY, ONLY HAPPEN THROUGH AN ACT OF KINDNESS, THROUGH THE ACT
- 13 OF BECOMING AN ORGAN AND TISSUE DONOR. PLEASE, PLEASE GIVE
- 14 LIFE. PLEASE GIVE OF YOURSELF AND BECOME A DONOR, AN ORGAN
- 15 DONOR AND TISSUE DONOR. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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- 17 SUP. MOLINA: I WANT TO ASK TOM GARTHWAITE TO COME UP AND JOIN
- 18 US AS WELL. AS YOU KNOW, THESE WORKSHOPS ARE PART OF WHAT THE
- 19 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IS DOING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.
- 20 WE'RE PARTICULARLY PROUD OF ONE LEGACY FOR THE WORK THAT
- 21 THEY'RE DOING. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL.

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23 PATRICIA ELORADAS: THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ARE THERE ANY OTHER PRESENTATIONS? OKAY. IF
- 2 NOT, WE WILL PROCEED WITH THE AGENDA. OUR OFFICE IS UP FIRST.
- 3 OKAY. WE'VE NOTIFIED THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA RELEASED HER HOLD
- 4 ON NUMBER 51. WITH THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THE CHAIR
- 5 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SEVERAL
- 6 ADJOURNMENTS. WE'LL BEGIN WITH MY DISTRICT. THIS ONE SOUNDS
- 7 SORT OF WEIRD BUT-- MY FIRST ADJOURNMENT BUT I'M ADJOURNING IN
- 8 THE MEMORY OF DON KNABE AND IT'S MY UNCLE DON, WHO I WAS NAMED
- 9 AFTER. MY DAD WAS ONE OF NINE AND MY DAD IS THE ONLY ONE LEFT
- 10 STANDING SO HE'S LOST ALL EIGHT SIBLINGS, SO, UMM... I WANT TO
- 11 ADJOURN IN MY UNCLE DON'S MEMORY. WE WILL MISS HIM DEARLY.
- 12 ALSO, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD WILLIAM WINTERS,
- 13 WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 2ND. HE'S A RESIDENT OF CERRITOS, A
- 14 35-YEAR COUNTY EMPLOYEE, LONG TIME FAMILY FRIENDS THERE IN
- 15 CERRITOS AND OUR CHILDREN WENT TO SCHOOL TOGETHER AND HE WILL
- 16 BE TRULY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE'S SURVIVED BY
- 17 HIS WIFE, DEANNE, THREE DAUGHTERS AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO
- 18 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. WILLIAM WONG, PASSED AWAY MARCH
- 19 27TH. HE WAS 95. ALTHOUGH HE RESIDED IN HAWAII, HE SPENT MOST
- 20 OF HIS LIFE HERE WITH HIS FAMILY IN CALIFORNIA. HE WILL BE
- 21 MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON,
- 22 GORDON. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DON CHARLENE
- 23 SANCHEZ, 19 YEARS OF AGE, BORN IN TORRANCE, GREW UP IN
- 24 PARAMOUNT, WHERE HE WENT TO SCHOOL AND WHERE HIS MOTHER,
- 25 MARCELLA AND SISTER, CYNTHIA, STILL RESIDE. THIS LATINO



- 1 SINGING SENSATION AND BALLADEER DIED IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT IN
- 2 MEXICO AND OVER 10,000 FANS ATTENDED HIS FUNERAL WAKE ON THE
- 3 CITY OF NORWALK. DON HAD ALSO PARTICIPATED IN SEVERAL EVENTS
- 4 FOR US EARLY ON IN HIS CAREER AND HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY
- 5 ALL. AND ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PFC GERMAN ANTONIA
- 6 SIERRE AGUILAR. THREE MEMBERS OF A NORWALK FAMILY, ONE WHO
- 7 HAD-- THIS YOUNG MAN HAD JUST RETURNED FROM IRAQ. WITHIN 48
- 8 HOURS, WAS KILLED AND ANOTHER CRITICALLY INJURED BY A WRONG
- 9 WAY DRIVER THAT TOOK THE LIVES OF TWO COLLEGE STUDENTS AS
- 10 WELL. PRIVATE FIRST CLASS AGUILAR, 23 YEARS OF AGE AND A
- 11 MEMBER OF THE ARMY'S 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION AT FORT HOOD, HAD
- 12 RETURNED FROM A YEAR-LONG DEPLOYMENT TO IRAQ LAST TUESDAY,
- 13 LESS THAN 48 HOURS BEFORE THE ACCIDENT ON INTERSTATE 10 IN NEW
- 14 MEXICO. NOT THREE DAYS LATER, HIS MOTHER, SONYA, STEPFATHER,
- 15 JOACHIM, WERE BOTH ALSO KILLED IN A CAR CRASH. SO ADJOURN IN
- 16 MEMORY OF THAT FAMILY AND... WOW. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
- 17 MEMORY OF RICHARD KEMPSTER, A LONG BEACH NATIVE AND RESIDENT
- 18 OF SEAL BEACH WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 57. HE WAS
- 19 VERY INVOLVED WITH LONG BEACH'S TICHENOR ORTHOPEDIC CLINIC FOR
- 20 CHILDREN, WHERE HE HELPS THE CLINIC SECURE GRANT FOR NEW
- 21 WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VANS. HE WAS ONE OF THE FIRST SYSTEMS
- 22 ANALYSTS AT MCDONALD DOUGLAS CORPORATION AND HIS MOST RECENT
- 23 POSITION WITH CLYSER WARZECHA, HOLLYWOOD BASED COMPUTER
- 24 ANIMATION AND VISUAL EFFECTS STUDIO. HE ENJOYED SAILING AND
- 25 FISHING. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CAROL, TWO DAUGHTERS, ERIN AND



- 1 CHRISTINA. TWO GRANDCHILDREN, SETH AND HANNA, HIS MOTHER,
- 2 PATRICIA AND HIS BROTHER, STEPHEN. THEN FINALLY, THAT WE
- 3 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. FRANK MARTINEZ, A LONG-TIME FRIEND OF
- 4 THE FOURTH DISTRICT AND PROFESSIONAL BARBER IN THE WHITTIER LA
- 5 HARBRE AREA WHO PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 30TH, SURVIVED BY HIS
- 6 WIFE, ESPERANZA, THREE DAUGHTERS, ANGELA ANDREA AND CHRISTINE,
- 7 TWO BROTHERS, FOUR SISTERS AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. AND WITH
- 8 THAT, SO ORDERED. ON THE-- I THINK, AT THIS POINT, WE WILL
- 9 PROCEED. WE HAVE TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 60 AND 61 AND
- 10 PROBABLY BEST TO PROCEED WITH THOSE TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS BEFORE
- 11 WE GET TO BOARDS.

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- 13 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: MR. CHAIRMAN AND MAY I ASK ALL THOSE WHO
- 14 PLAN TO TESTIFY ON EITHER OF THOSE TWO ITEMS TO PLEASE STAND
- 15 AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN.

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- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THAT SHOULD BE THOSE WHO ARE GOING TO
- 18 TESTIFY ON ITEMS 60 AND 61 NOT THE OTHER ITEMS THAT YOU HAVE
- 19 HELD. SO ANYONE ON 60 OR 61? I SEE NO ONE. OKAY. ITEM 60 IS A
- 20 HEARING...

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- 22 RAY FORTNER, COUNSEL: MR. CHAIRMAN, THERE ARE NO
- 23 JURISDICTIONAL QUESTIONS. YOU MAY PROCEED.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THERE ARE NO STAFF QUESTIONS OR ANYTHING
- 2 LIKE THAT? WE WILL OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED
- 3 PARKING FEE INCREASES AT MARINA DEL REY AND OTHER COUNTY
- 4 BEACHES AND DOCKWEILER R.V. PARKS. NO ONE HAS SIGNED UP TO
- 5 TESTIFY. WE WILL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. IF WE COULD HAVE
- 6 STAN, IF YOU COULD COME UP, I JUST HAD A COUPLE QUESTIONS
- 7 BEFORE WE... OBVIOUSLY, THE BASIC QUESTIONS WERE INCREASING
- 8 THESE REVENUES, PARKING FEES SIGNIFICANTLY IN CERTAIN AREAS.
- 9 YOU'RE ANTICIPATING ABOUT ONE MILLION DOLLARS ANNUALLY. WHERE
- 10 WILL THIS REVENUE GO?

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- 12 STAN WISNIEWSKI: SUPERVISOR, THAT WILL GO INTO OUR GENERAL
- 13 FUND OPERATING BUDGET TO HELP UNDERWRITE THE EXPENSES OF
- 14 MAINTAINING THE PUBLIC BEACHES.

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- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND, OBVIOUSLY IN SOME AREAS, WHAT HAPPENS
- 17 IF THE USAGE OF THE LOTS DECREASE DUE TO THE INCREASE IN
- 18 PARKING RATES?

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- 20 STAN WISNIEWSKI: INCLUDED IN THE RECOMMENDATION IS THE
- 21 AUTHORITY FOR ME TO REDUCE THE PARKING FEES AT ANY LEVEL BELOW
- 22 THE MAXIMUM THAT'S APPROVED TODAY IN ORDER TO CONFRONT ANY
- 23 REDUCED PATRONAGE OF THE PARKING LOTS.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY. IF NOT, THE ITEM
- 2 IS BEFORE US.

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4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT NUMBER IS THAT ITEM?

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THAT ITEM NUMBER 60, THE PUBLIC HEARING ON
- 7 THE PARKING FEES.

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9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I MOVE IT.

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- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED
- 12 BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. NEXT IS
- 13 ITEM NUMBER 61. AS WELL AS I BELIEVE AN ITEM ON THE GREEN
- 14 SHEET, 62-B. AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. IS THERE ANYONE
- 15 SIGNED UP ON 61 TO SPEAK, ON THAT ITEM? OKAY. IF NOT, WE WILL
- 16 OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING AND, SEEING NO ONE, WE'LL CLOSE THE
- 17 PUBLIC HEARING. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US, ITEM 61, AS AMENDED.
- 18 SUPERVISOR BURKE, DID YOU WANT TO READ YOUR AMENDMENT IN OR AS
- 19 AMENDED ON THE GREEN SHEET?

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21 SUP. BURKE: AS AMENDED ON THE GREEN SHEET.

- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BURKE MOVES AND, AS AMENDED ON
- 24 THE GREEN SHEET. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SECONDS. WITHOUT



- 1 OBJECTIONS, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU HELD ITEM 51.
- 2 SHE'S ON THE PHONE. SUPERVISOR BURKE, ITEM 48, YOU HELD.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE: YES, I BELIEVE I DO HAVE AN AMENDMENT ON THAT THAT
- 5 I NEED TO READ IN. "WE FIND THAT THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY
- 6 AMERICAN FOUNDATION ARE NEEDED TO PREVENT AND CURTAIL INMATE
- 7 DISTURBANCES AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DETENTION FACILITIES.
- 8 THE BOARD HAS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AND ENDORSED THIS PROGRAM AS
- 9 A SOLE SOURCE BASED ON AMERICAN FOUNDATION'S UNIQUE APPROACH
- 10 TO TRAINING AND MOTIVATION." THE BOARD CONTINUED THIS MATTER
- 11 LAST WEEK FOR DISCUSSION AND, AS A RESULT, THE CONTRACT
- 12 EXPIRED. HOWEVER, SINCE THIS SERVICE IS VITAL TO THE COUNTY,
- 13 THE CONTRACT NEEDS TO CONTINUE. THE AGREEMENT INCLUDES ALL
- 14 BOARD MANDATED TERMS AND CONDITIONS. I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT
- 15 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TAKE ACTION IN
- 16 RELATION TO AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 48 TO REINSTATE AGREEMENT
- 17 NUMBER 74165, EFFECTIVE TODAY, WITH AMERICAN FOR DISTURBANCE,
- 18 MEDIATION AND LIFE SKILLS TRAINING AND TO APPROVE THE
- 19 SHERIFF'S RECOMMENDATION IN FULL WITH THE EXCEPTION THAT THE
- 20 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AGREEMENT EXTENSION SHALL BE TODAY'S
- 21 DATE IN LIEU OF APRIL 1ST, 2004.

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23 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SECOND, MR. CHAIRMAN.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED AND SECONDED. WE HAVE SOMEONE FROM
- 2 THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON THIS, YVONNE AUTRY. 48. ITEM
- 3 48.

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- 5 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY: OKAY. THANK YOU FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO
- 6 ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGAIN. I KNOW YOU REALLY MISS
- 7 MERRITT HOLLOWAY, DON'T YOU? [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]

- 9 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY: ANYWAY, I WOULD LIKE TO OPEN AND CLOSE
- 10 IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF ALL THE CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN
- 11 MURDERED AND ARE STILL MISSING IN THE SYSTEM. TO MAKE THIS
- 12 RELEVANT TO ITEM NUMBER 48, I DO THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT YOU
- 13 ALLOCATE MORE TIME, ENERGY AND MONEY TOWARDS MEDIATION BETWEEN
- 14 THE POLICE OR THE PARAMILITARY AND PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY,
- 15 WHETHER THEY'RE HOMELESS, WHETHER THEY'RE BLACK, LATINO,
- 16 BECAUSE OF THE CONTINUED PROBLEMS WITH POLICE BRUTALITY. MOST
- 17 RECENTLY, WE HAD FOUND OUT THAT THE GENTLEMAN WHO WAS HANGED
- 18 OUITE POSSIBLY WAS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF THAT
- 19 POLICE OFFICER. QUITE OFTEN, POLICEMEN KILL, RAPE, DISTRIBUTE
- 20 GUNS AND DRUGS IN OUR COMMUNITIES BUT THEY ARE NOT PROSECUTED.
- 21 I THINK THAT THERE NEEDS TO BE NOT ONLY INVESTIGATIONS BUT
- 22 ONGOING TIME AND ENERGY DEVOTED TOWARDS REVEALING WHAT IS
- 23 REALLY HAPPENING WITH THE COMMUNITY AND THE ATTACKS
- 24 PERPETRATED BY THE POLICE OFFICERS. WE ALL REMEMBER DONOVAN
- 25 JACKSON, MARGARET MITCHELL, TYESHA MILLER. BACK EAST, WE HAD

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- 1 AHMAD DEALLU AND WE HAD ABNER LUIMA. I REMEMBER VERY CLEARLY
- 2 BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN HARASSED BY THE POLICE. I'M NOT CRAZY, AN
- 3 ALCOHOLIC, CRACK ADDICT, SUICIDAL, HOMOSEXUAL, TRANSSEXUAL NOR
- 4 A PROSTITUTE NOR AN EXHIBITIONIST, NOR A COMMUNIST, TERRORIST,
- 5 OR SUBVERSIVE BUT, WHEN YOU SPEAK UP, WE COME UNDER ATTACK BY
- 6 THE POLICE AND OTHER BRANCHES OF THE GOVERNMENT. AS YOU KNOW,
- 7 I'VE SPOKEN WITH REGARD TO MY SON, ALSO HAD BEEN FALSELY
- 8 ACCUSED OF THESE AND OTHER HORRIBLE, HORRIBLE MISDEEDS, WHICH
- 9 YOU PROBABLY WOULD NOT BELIEVE AND WE-- SOME COLLEAGUES OF
- 10 MINE TEND TO BELIEVE THAT, BECAUSE OF OUR INVOLVEMENT WITH THE
- 11 BLACK PANTHERS AND BECAUSE WE HAD SPOKEN UP AGAINST POLICE
- 12 BRUTALITY, THAT WE HAD BEEN FALSELY ACCUSED, STIGMATIZED,
- 13 FRAMED, SLANDERED AND, AGAIN, WE WANT THAT TO BE INVESTIGATED
- 14 AND STOPPED SO THAT WE CAN REUNIFY WITH OUR...

16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: PLEASE CONFINE YOUR COMMENTS TO ITEM 48.

18 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY: WELL, IT'S ALL RELEVANT BECAUSE...

20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO, IT'S NOT RELEVANT, SO...

- 22 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY: WELL, SO THAT YOU WILL ALLOCATE MORE
- 23 TIME AND MONEY TO PREVENT FALSE ACCUSATIONS OF PEOPLE IN THE
- 24 COMMUNITY WHO ARE SIMPLY HOLDING YOU AND YOUR BRANCHES AND
- 25 YOUR DEPARTMENTS ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE VIOLATIONS PERPETRATED



- 1 AGAINST PEOPLE WHO ARE VOICELESS. THAT IS RELEVANT. LIKE I
- 2 SAID, WHETHER IT'S MINORITIES, WOMEN, MEN, HOMELESS, AN
- 3 INCREASING NUMBERS OF PARENTS WHO ARE BEING FALSELY ACCUSED
- 4 SIMPLY BECAUSE IT'S PROFITABLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
- 5 AND FAMILY SERVICES. AND THE POLICE HAVE BEEN USED IN THE
- 6 DETENTION OF CHILDREN ILLEGALLY. I'D LIKE TO GIVE ONE EXAMPLE.
- 7 THIS HAPPENED IN OREGON. THE POLICE WERE USED TO DETAIN,
- 8 ILLEGALLY, CHILDREN WHO WERE ABUSED, WHO WERE...

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THIS CONTRACT IS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
- 11 ANGELES, NOT...

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- 13 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY: I KNOW. I'M JUST TRYING TO MAKE IT
- 14 RELEVANT BECAUSE THE POLICE STILL MUST BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE,
- 15 AND IF THEY ARE WITHIN-- THEY ARE WITHIN YOUR JURISDICTION,
- 16 THEN I HOPE THAT YOU MAKE SURE THAT THAT DOES NOT HAPPEN HERE.

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.

19

- 20 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY: THE POLICE HAVE DETAINED CHILDREN,
- 21 THEY'VE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR ABUSING CHILDREN...

22

23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THANK YOU. YOUR TIME IS UP.



- 1 YVONNE MICHELLE AUTRY: OR ENABLING THE CHILD PROTECTIVE
- 2 SERVICES TO ABUSE CHILDREN AND THAT IS RELEVANT SO THAT
- 3 DOESN'T HAPPEN IN LOS ANGELES.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THE ITEM IS BEFORE US, SUPERVISOR MOLINA
- 6 VOTING "NO".

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8 SUP. MOLINA: I'D LIKE TO BE RECORDED AS A "NO" VOTE.

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY...

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- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WAIT. WHOA, WHOA. I HAVE A-- I WANTED
- 13 TO BE HEARD. CAN I JUST UNDERSTAND...

14

15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: [ LAUGHS ]

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- 17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: COLUMBO. JUST CALL ME COLUMBO. THIS IS A
- 18 THREE-YEAR CONTRACT? DOES SOMEBODY HERE KNOW ABOUT THE
- 19 CONTRACT? THE STAFF? THERE ANYBODY HERE WHO'S GOING TO TAKE
- 20 OWNERSHIP OF THIS?

21

22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

23

24 SUP. BURKE: YOU MEAN, WAS IT THREE YEARS BEFORE? IS THIS...



SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO, THE ONE THAT'S BEFORE US TODAY.

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JUDY THOMAS: WE'RE ASKING TO EXTEND THE EXISTING CONTRACT.

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- 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I COULDN'T HEAR YOU. SPEAK INTO THE
- 6 MICROPHONE, ANYWAY, SO THEY CAN GET YOU ON THE RECORD.

7

- 8 JUDY THOMAS: OKAY. JUDY THOMAS. I'M THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR IN
- 9 FISCAL ADMINISTRATION. WE'RE ASKING...

10

11 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT?

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13 JUDY THOMAS: FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

14

15 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY. YOU ARE ASKING?

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- 17 JUDY THOMAS: WE ARE ASKING TO EXTEND THE EXISTING CONTRACT FOR
- 18 UP TO THREE YEARS. WE WILL BE DOING THOSE IN ONE-YEAR
- 19 INCREMENTS.

- 21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ONE-YEAR INCREMENTS. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO
- 22 ASK, I WOULD LIKE TO AMEND THIS SO THAT, BEFORE THE NEXT
- 23 INCREMENT, WHICH WOULD BE A YEAR FROM NOW, COMES UP, IF WE
- 24 APPROVE THIS, THAT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BE ASKED TO DO AN
- 25 AUDIT OF THIS PROGRAM AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD PRIOR TO



- 1 THE-- PRIOR TO THE CONCLUSION OF THE FIRST YEAR OF THIS THREE
- 2 YEARS. I WANT IT DONE BY SOMETHING OTHER THAN THE SHERIFF'S
- 3 DEPARTMENT. I THINK WE ALL HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THE AUDITOR-
- 4 CONTROLLER. I WOULD LIKE TO GET JUST SOME KIND OF EVALUATION
- 5 OF THIS PROGRAM'S EFFECTIVENESS. DOES IT DO WHAT THEY SAY IT
- 6 DOES? IS IT WORTH-- WELL, WE'LL MAKE THE DECISION WHETHER IT'S
- 7 WORTH IT BUT...

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YOU WANT THAT REPORT TO COME BACK IN A
- 10 YEAR, THEN? I MEAN, AT THE END OF THE FIRST...

11

- 12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IT WOULD BE PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION OF AN
- 13 EXTENSION. SO I WOULD SAY IN NINE MONTHS AND, IF WE'RE LUCKY,
- 14 IT WILL GET HERE IN A YEAR. BUT, YEAH, I WOULD LIKE IT TO BE
- 15 DURING THE FIRST YEAR PRIOR TO THE EXTENSION. WHO HAS THE
- 16 AUTHORITY TO EXTEND THIS CONTRACT IN THE SECOND AND THIRD
- 17 YEAR?

18

- 19 JUDY THOMAS: WE'VE ASKED YOUR BOARD TO DELEGATE THAT AUTHORITY
- 20 TO THE SHERIFF BUT YOU HAVE THE PREROGATIVE TO HAVE US COME
- 21 BACK TO EXTEND THAT.

- 23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ALL RIGHT. I WOULD FURTHER AMEND THAT, UNTIL
- 24 THAT AUDIT COMES-- THAT THAT AUTHORITY NOT BE DELEGATED UNTIL
- 25 THAT AUDIT IS CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN A



- 1 FORMAL OPEN MEETING. ALL RIGHT. DO YOU HAVE MY AMENDMENTS,
- 2 VIOLET? I DIDN'T PUT THEM IN WRITING, BUT AN AUDIT WITHIN THE-
- 3 PRIOR TO THE EXTENSION AND THAT THE EXTENSION CAN ONLY BE
- 4 GRANTED BY THE BOARD AT THIS TIME. ALL RIGHT.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. WITH THAT AMENDMENT, MOVED BY
- 7 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE, WITH
- 8 SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING "NO". SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU HELD
- 9 ITEM NUMBER 51. EXCUSE ME. WE'VE RELEASED THAT. I'M SORRY.
- 10 ITEM NUMBER 37 WAS HELD BY A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

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- 12 SUP. MOLINA: YOU KNOW, MR. CHAIRMAN, ON ITEM 51, I HAD MY
- 13 STAFF-- THE QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED FOR ME SO WE CAN
- 14 RELEASE THAT ONE.

15

- 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH, WE DID RELEASE IT. I'M SORRY. I
- 17 APOLOGIZE. WE'D ALREADY ACTED ON IT.

18

19 SUP. MOLINA: I KNOW.

20

21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SAMIR ETMAN.

- 23 SAMIR ETMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME IS SAMIR ETMAN. I'M
- 24 A RESIDENT OF ALTADENA. I'M CURRENTLY HELPING WITH THE
- 25 COMMUNITY TO RESTORE THE ALTADENA CREST TRAIL. I'D LIKE TO



- 1 THANK VERY MUCH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR HIS GREAT SUPPORT
- 2 FOR RESTORING THE TRAILS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN
- 3 JUNE OPENING ONE SEGMENT OF THE TRAIL TO THE PUBLIC IN
- 4 CELEBRATION. AND I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD FOR
- 5 THEIR CONTINUING SUPPORT IN THAT EFFORT. THE ITEM 37
- 6 CONCERNING PROPERTY ON 587/591 DEVONWOOD ROAD IN ALTADENA, IT
- 7 WOULD HAVE BEEN JUST A ROUTINE ITEM TO VACATE THE TRAIL FOR
- 8 THE SECOND TIME, TO MAKE THE NEW TRAIL ACCEPTABLE TO THE
- 9 COMMUNITY AND TO THE EQUESTRIANS AND RIDERS AND TRAIL GOERS
- 10 EXCEPT THAT THE OWNERS HAVE, UNFORTUNATELY, DISPLAYED
- 11 DISTURBING INDICATIONS THAT HE'S NOT RESPECTING THE TRAIL AND
- 12 HE IS TELLING PEOPLE TO GO AWAY AND NOT USE THE TRAIL RIGHT
- 13 NOW, CONTRARY TO HIS AGREEMENT. THE ONLY THING RIGHT NOW THAT
- 14 THE COMMUNITY IS REQUESTING IS TO MAKE SURE THAT NO BUILDING
- 15 PERMIT WOULD BE ISSUED TO THE OWNER PRIOR TO SATISFACTORY
- 16 COMPLETION OF THE NEW TRAIL AND MAKING IT ACCEPTABLE TO PARKS
- 17 AND RECREATIONS. I HAVE HERE, IN ADDITION TO PETITIONS MAILED
- 18 TO THE SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE, I HAVE AN ADDITIONAL 24 SIGNATURES
- 19 I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT FOR THE RECORD.

20

- 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THIS ITEM IS, AS WE INDICATED TO
- 22 YOU...

23

24 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WE'RE GOING TO REFER IT BACK.



1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ...AND IT'S GOING TO BE REFERRED BACK TO

2 THE DEPARTMENT.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: RIGHT. RIGHT. AND, AS WAS STATED, FOR MANY
- 5 YEARS, THE EQUESTRIANS AND THE TRAIL USERS AND RESIDENTS IN
- 6 ALTADENA HAVE BEEN WORKING TO CLOSE GAPS IN THIS ALTADENA
- 7 CREST TRAIL, AND WE WORK-- APPLAUD THEIR EFFORTS AND
- 8 DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT, WHICH WILL HAVE A WELL-CONNECTED,
- 9 WELL-MAINTAINED, COHESIVE TRAIL NETWORK FOR THE LOCAL
- 10 RESIDENTS. COUNTY STAFF HAS BEEN WORKING DILIGENTLY WITH THE
- 11 COMMUNITY TO CORRECT SOME EARLY MISTAKES CONCERNING THE
- 12 RELOCATION OF THE TRAIL ASSOCIATED WITH A PROJECT ON DEVONWOOD
- 13 ROAD. FOR WHATEVER REASON, STAFF- RECOMMENDED ACTION ON ITEM
- 14 37 DID NOT INCLUDE CERTAIN CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL THAT WERE
- 15 RESOLVED IN MEETINGS AND CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN THE LOCAL
- 16 ALTADENA RESIDENTS AND COUNTY STAFF AND THAT'S WHY THE ACTION
- 17 TODAY IS TO RETURN IT TO THE DEPARTMENT TO HAVE THOSE PUT INTO
- 18 THE DOCUMENT AND THEN BROUGHT BACK BEFORE THE BOARD.

- 20 SAMEER ETMAN: I REALLY THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT. AND I
- 21 ALSO WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A SPECIAL THANKS FOR SUSIE BEAMER FOR
- 22 HER EXCELLENT COORDINATION WITH THE COMMUNITY. AND WE REALLY,
- 23 AS AN INFORMATION, WE HAVE ACHIEVED MANY POSITIVE SEGMENTS
- 24 COMPLETED IN THE TRAIL AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO BEING ABLE TO GO



- 1 WEST FROM THAT POINT ALL THE WAY TO HAHAMONGNA WITH YOUR GREAT
- 2 SUPPORT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SUSIE IS MY DEPUTY IN THAT AREA, BEAMER.

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6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GREAT. WAY TO GO, SUSIE.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SO I MOVE THE ACTION TO RETURN TO THE
- 9 DEPARTMENT TO HAVE THOSE ITEMS CORRECTED AND BROUGHT BACK
- 10 BEFORE THE BOARD AT A LATER DATE.

11

- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. ITEM 18 WAS HELD BY A MEMBER OF
- 13 THE PUBLIC.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO ORDERED?

16

- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED TO REFER BACK. YOU CAN ADDRESS
- 18 ITEM 16 AS WELL WHILE YOU'RE HERE. OKAY? YOU'VE HELD BOTH.

19

20 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: I DECIDED TO LET 16 GO.

21

22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.

- 24 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THIS
- 25 IS GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM 18. I THINK IT'S KIND OF, YOU



- 1 KNOW, IT'S BETTER LATE THAN NEVER TO HAVE A REQUEST FOR A
- 2 COUNTYWIDE SERVICE CONTRACT SOLICITATION PROTEST POLICY. WHAT
- 3 A NOVEL IDEA. [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]

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- 5 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: THEN YOU ALL-- BUT, YOU KNOW, THIS STILL
- 6 DOESN'T ADDRESS ONE OF MY MAIN COMPLAINTS, THE
- 7 SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT. WHAT CAN WE DO TO DEAL WITH THOSE, YOU
- 8 KNOW, CONSTANT SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT? AND THIS IS NOT DEALT AT
- 9 ALL IN THIS, YOU KNOW, MOTION.

10

- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SOLE SOURCE IS A DIFFERENT ISSUE THAN THE
- 12 OVERSIGHT IN THE PROTEST POLICY, WHAT-- YOU KNOW, I MEAN,
- 13 YOU'VE HEARD ME RAMBLE ON AT GREAT LENGTHS THROUGHOUT THIS
- 14 PROCESS THAT THERE REALLY ISN'T A, YOU KNOW, FORMAL OR PROTEST
- 15 POLICY FOR SOME OF OUR VENDORS TO VENT, YOU KNOW, WHATEVER
- 16 PROBLEMS THEY MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE AND THIS ADDRESSES THAT. AND
- 17 MY COMMENT TO THIS WAS, YOU KNOW, SORT OF LIKE YOURS, BETTER
- 18 LATE THAN NEVER BUT WHAT THEY HAVE COME UP WITH, I THOUGHT,
- 19 WAS-- THEY'VE DONE A VERY GOOD JOB. AND SO THE SOLE SOURCE
- 20 ISSUE HAS NOT BEEN DEALT WITH IN THIS BUT IT'S A DIFFERENT
- 21 ISSUE.

- 23 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: WELL, I THINK THE NEXT THING YOU SHOULD
- 24 DEAL WITH THE SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE LAST
- 25 GOOD EXAMPLE IS ABOUT THE CAMDEN GROUP-- CAMDEN GROUP AT



- 1 M.L.K. UP TO THIS DATE, WE STILL DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE
- 2 ARE INVOLVED IN THE GROUP, WHAT ARE THEY DOING. THERE HAS BEEN
- 3 NO REPORT. WE DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH THEY ARE BEING PAID AND, YOU
- 4 KNOW, THERE HAS BEEN A LETTER SENT TO MR. FRED LEAF AND
- 5 GARTHWAITE TO REQUEST THAT AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH EVEN SEND
- 6 LETTER TO THAT EFFECT, WITH NO RESPONSE. IT'S ABSURD. YOU
- 7 KNOW, WE ARE THE PUBLIC AND WE ARE PAYING FOR THAT CONTRACT.
- 8 THEY WERE SELECTED WITH NO INPUT. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION ON
- 9 THEM AND I THINK WE DESERVE IT. SO I WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE
- 10 THAT, YOU KNOW, I GET SOME ANSWER WITHIN THE NEXT EIGHT DAYS
- 11 BEFORE THE NEXT BOARD MEETING.

12

13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

14

15 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. WITH THAT, I'LL MOVE ITEM 18,
- 18 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
- 19 ITEM 16 HAS BEEN RELEASED BY GENEVIEVE. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 20 YAROSLAVSKY, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT
- 21 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 15 WAS HELD FOR A MEMBER OF THE
- 22 PUBLIC. PETER BAXTER? PETER BAXTER, PLEASE? ITEM 15.

- 24 PETER BAXTER: MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF YOUR HONORABLE BOARD,
- 25 MR. JANSSEN, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS PETER BAXTER AND



- I LIVE IN LOS ANGELES. IT IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THAT THIS
- 2 ITEM ASKS FOR A LETTER TO BE SENT TO HUGHES ELECTRONIC
- 3 CORPORATION THANKING THAT CORPORATION FOR THE DONATION OF A
- 4 2004 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN EQUIPPED WITH ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT FOR
- 5 USE AS AN EMERGENCY COMMAND VEHICLE. THIS GIFT HAS TO BE
- 6 UNDERSTOOD AS BEING A STATEMENT BY HUGHES ELECTRONIC
- 7 CORPORATION ASSERTING THAT, TO THE BEST OF THEIR TECHNICAL
- 8 KNOWLEDGE, THE SINGLE MOST BENEFICIAL GIFT THEY KNOW TO GIVE
- 9 IS THIS EMERGENCY COMMAND VEHICLE. AN EMERGENCY COMMAND
- 10 VEHICLE IS NOT THE MOST VALUABLE GIFT THAT CAN BE PROVIDED TO
- 11 FIGHT FIRE IN THIS COUNTY. WHAT WE NEED IS A MEANS OF PUTTING
- 12 OUT HOSTILE FIRES. AN EMERGENCY COMMAND VEHICLE MEANS THAT
- 13 THESE HOSTILE FIRES THAT PLAGUE THIS COUNTY MAY BE MONITORED
- 14 WITH GREAT PRECISION. FIRES HERE ARE NOT PUT OUT BECAUSE THE
- 15 FIRE DEPARTMENT IS UNABLE TO PUT FIRES OUT. FIRES HERE BURN
- 16 THEMSELVES OUT AND FIREFIGHTERS, IN A MANNER OF SPEAKING,
- 17 BABY-SIT THESE FIRES WITH THE MOST UP-TO-DATE ELECTRONICS TO
- 18 ASSIST IN BABY-SITTING FIRES. THIS IS A FEEL-GOOD ACTIVITY
- 19 THAT DOES NOTHING TO PUT OUT A HOSTILE FIRE. THIS IS MORE OF
- 20 THE ENDLESS SUCCESSION OF ILLUMINATED SCROLLS THAT ARE
- 21 ROUTINELY HANDED OUT TO THE FIRE CHIEF, HE MUST HAVE A
- 22 WAREHOUSE FULL OF THEM BY NOW, FOR ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HIS
- 23 TOTAL FAILURE IN CONTESTING HOSTILE FIRES. WE NEED A METHOD OF
- 24 FIGHTING FIRE. HUGHES ELECTRONIC CORPORATION HAS THE TECHNICAL
- 25 COMPETENCE TO PROVIDE A METHOD OF FIGHTING HOSTILE FIRE.



- 1 PROBABLY THEIR PRODUCTS IN THEIR INVENTORY ARE ALL WITHIN THE
- 2 LAST 10 YEARS. NOTHING HAPPENS IN TERMS OF FIGHTING FIRE. MS.
- 3 CONDOLEEZZA RICE IS SUPPOSED TO TESTIFY IN TWO DAYS' TIME.
- 4 SHE'S NOT GOING TO TELL YOU ANYTHING ABOUT HOW TO PUT OUT A
- 5 FIRE IN A HIGH-RISE. HIGH-RISE BUILDING HERE HAS NO PROTECTION
- 6 AND IT'S ONLY A QUESTION OF TECHNOLOGY. THAT'S ALL IT IS. I
- 7 DON'T KNOW WHY YOU DON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT, ALL OF WHICH IS
- 8 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED. I THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, MR. BAXTER. WITH THAT, THE ITEM
- 11 IS BEFORE US TO ACCEPT THE 2004 SUBURBAN. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 12 ANTONOVICH, THE CHAIR WOULD SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
- 13 ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 2, I HELD AND ALL I DID WAS HOLD IT FOR
- 14 AMENDMENT. I GUESS THERE WAS SOME CONCERN. THE AMENDMENT THAT
- 15 I ADDED WAS THAT, PRIOR TO THIS PROJECT MOVING PAST THE
- 16 PLANNING PHASE, THIS MATTER WILL BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE BOARD
- 17 OF SUPERVISORS FOR FINAL APPROVAL. AND, WITH THAT AMENDMENT, I
- 18 WOULD MOVE THE ITEM, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR BURKE. WITHOUT
- 19 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU HELD ITEM
- 20 NUMBER 8.

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22 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ARE THERE PEOPLE SIGNED UP?

- 24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: DO YOU WANT TO PROCEED WITH THE TESTIMONY
- 25 FIRST OR DO YOU WANT TO...



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2 SUP. ANTONOVICH: PROCEED WITH TESTIMONY.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WANT TO HEAR THE TESTIMONY? ANY STAFF
- 5 PRESENTATIONS OR ANYTHING? OKAY. WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE THAT
- 6 HAVE SIGNED UP TO TESTIFY. DERIK ELLERI, DON ROHR. OKAY. HUGO
- 7 MALDONADO, TRACY HILD, PETER MOORE. IS PETER HERE? OKAY. THOSE
- 8 WOULD BE THE FIRST. WE HAVE DERIK, HUGO, TRACY AND PETER. IS
- 9 THAT CORRECT? OKAY.

- 11 DERIK ELLERI: GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
- 12 DERIK ELLERI AND I AM THE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 13 LAKE LIFEGUARD ASSOCIATION. I AND THE LIFEGUARDS I REPRESENT
- 14 BELIEVE THAT THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS BELONG WITH FIRES EXISTING
- 15 LIFEGUARD DIVISION SINCE IT CLOSELY MIRRORS THE SERVICES
- 16 PROVIDED BY THE OCEAN LIFEGUARDS. THIS MERGER WOULD RESULT IN
- 17 A SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER LEVEL OF SERVICE GIVEN THAT FIRES
- 18 CURRENT ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE AS A PUBLIC PROTECTION AGENCY
- 19 IS MORE SUITABLE TO DIRECT THE COUNTY'S LAKE LIFEGUARD
- 20 OPERATIONS. THE STUDY PRODUCED BY THE C.A.O.'S OFFICE
- 21 ATTEMPTED TO SHOW THAT THE PROPOSED MERGER WOULD HAVE A
- 22 NEGATIVE FINANCIAL IMPACT TO THE COUNTY. WE FEEL THAT THIS IS
- 23 UNTRUE. IT IS SIMPLY A SHIFTING OF FUNDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT
- 24 OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE
- 25 DEPARTMENT. THERE IS-- SHOULD BE NO NET COST INCREASE. SIMPLY



- 1 A TRANSFER OF FUNDING. WE AREN'T LOOKING FOR INCREASED SALARY,
- 2 BENEFITS, SPENDING. WE JUST WANT THE ABILITY TO DO OUR JOB. A
- 3 COORDINATED EFFORT BETWEEN THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS AND PARKS AND
- 4 THE DAILY OPERATIONS OF THE FACILITIES AND SPECIAL EVENTS
- 5 WOULD STILL CONTINUE, REGARDLESS OF A SHIFT IN REPORTING
- 6 RELATIONSHIPS FROM PARKS TO FIRE. THE LAKE LIFEGUARD SERVICE
- 7 WOULD COMPLEMENT PARKS IN THE SAME WAY THAT THE OCEAN
- 8 LIFEGUARD SERVICE WITHIN COUNTY FIRE EFFECTIVELY STAFFS
- 9 SPECIAL EVENTS AND COORDINATES ITS OPERATIONS WITH THE
- 10 DEPARTMENT OF BEACHES AND HARBORS. THE C.A.O. SUGGESTS THAT
- 11 PARKS AND RECREATION WOULD HAVE TO HIRE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT
- 12 STAFF TO CARRY OUT PATROL AND ROUTINE MAINTENANCE SERVICES.
- 13 THIS IS ALSO UNTRUE. THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS, UNDER COUNTY FIRE,
- 14 WOULD CONTINUE TO PERFORM THESE SERVICES. THE CURRENT
- 15 ORGANIZATION AND PARKS AND RECREATION ALLOWS FOR WELL-
- 16 INTENTIONED, YET UNQUALIFIED, PERSONNEL TO MAKE IMPORTANT
- 17 DECISIONS REGARDING PUBLIC SAFETY. THE SITUATION NECESSITATES
- 18 A REEVALUATION OF THE ROLE OF PARKS AND RECREATION
- 19 ADMINISTRATION WITHIN THE EXISTING AND LAKE LIFEGUARD
- 20 DECISION-MAKING STRUCTURE. THE REGIONAL PARK SUPERINTENDENT
- 21 POSITION SUPERVISES THE LAKE WATER SAFETY OPERATIONS WITHOUT
- 22 REQUIRING TRAINING OR EXPERIENCE IN EMERGENCY SERVICES. THIS
- 23 POSITION COULD BE FILLED THROUGH EXPERIENCE IN GROUNDS
- 24 MAINTENANCE SUPERVISION, SUPERVISION OF THE ARBORETUM OR SOUTH
- 25 COAST BOTANICAL GARDENS OR AS RECREATION LEADERS. THESE DUTIES



- 1 ARE IN NO WAY ASSOCIATED WITH LIFE SAVING. THE NEW
- 2 ORGANIZATION WILL BRING ABOUT A REFOCUSING OF LIFEGUARD
- 3 ACCOUNTABILITY. IT RECOGNIZES THE EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE OF THE
- 4 LIFEGUARD DIVISION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND REWARDS THEM
- 5 WITH INCREASED AUTHORITY. THE VALUE OF UNIFIED LEADERSHIP AND
- 6 THE EASE OF POLICY ADMINISTRATION ARE FACTORS NOT AVAILABLE
- 7 UNDER THE CURRENT SYSTEM AND CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED THROUGH A
- 8 REORGANIZATION. PRESENTLY, THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS CARRY OUT THEIR
- 9 OWN RECRUITMENT AND CONDUCT THEIR OWN TRAINING ACADEMY SIMILAR
- 10 TO OCEAN LIFEGUARD ACADEMIES. THE LAKE AQUATICS MANAGER
- 11 POSITION AND SUPERVISING LAKE LIFEGUARD POSITIONS COULD EASILY
- 12 ASSIMILATE INTO THE CORRESPONDING POSITIONS OF SECTION CHIEF
- 13 AND CAPTAIN, LIFEGUARD SERVICES, AS THE CLASS SPECIFICATIONS
- 14 BETWEEN THOSE POSITIONS AND PARKS AND REC AND THE FIRE
- 15 DEPARTMENT ARE VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL. MERGING THE LAKE
- 16 LIFEGUARDS INTO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WOULD CREATE A MORE HIGHLY
- 17 TRAINED, EFFECTIVE RESCUE SERVICE, PROVIDING GREATER PUBLIC
- 18 SAFETY ON THE COUNTY LAKES. LAKE LIFEGUARDS PROVIDE PROTECTION
- 19 FOR OVER TWO MILLION VISITORS TO THE COUNTY LAKES EVERY YEAR.
- 20 THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS BELONG IN A DEPARTMENT WHERE SAVING LIVES
- 21 AND PROTECTING PROPERTY ARE THE PRIMARY FUNCTIONS AND THERE'S
- 22 A REASON THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS ARE HERE. ALL THESE FOLKS BEHIND
- 23 ME ARE SOME OF OUR STAFF MEMBERS AND UNION MEMBERS. THERE'S A
- 24 REASON WHY WE'RE HERE ASKING TO BE ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND
- 25 THE OCEAN LIFEGUARDS AREN'T HERE CLAMORING TO BE IN PARKS AND



- 1 RECREATION. IT'S ABOUT DOING THE JOB AND DOING IT RIGHT. IT'S
- 2 ABOUT PUBLIC SAFETY. THANK YOU.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT. [ APPLAUSE ]

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6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.

- 8 HUGO MALDONADO: OKAY. MY NAME IS HUGO MALDONADO. I'M THE VICE
- 9 PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LAKE LIFEGUARD
- 10 ASSOCIATION. ONE POINT, I'VE ALSO WORKED AT CASTAIC LAKE,
- 11 PUDDING STONE LAKE AND SANTA FE DAM AND CURRENTLY I'M WORKING
- 12 AS A SUPERVISING LAKE LIFEGUARD AT SANTA FE DAM. ONE POINT
- 13 THAT I WANT TO MAKE CLEAR TO THE BOARD, ESPECIALLY THOSE
- 14 MEMBERS THAT ARE APPREHENSIVE ABOUT THIS ISSUE, IS THAT THIS
- 15 IS NOT ABOUT US MAKING MORE MONEY. WE ARE NOT REQUESTING A
- 16 SALARY INCREASE IN ANY WAY. ALL WE ARE ASKING TO DO IS HAVE
- 17 THE TOOLS AND THE RESOURCES THAT WE NEED IN ORDER TO GET THE
- 18 JOB DONE OUT AT THESE LAKES. THESE ARE JUST SOME OF THE THINGS
- 19 THAT WE HAVE REQUESTED AND HAVE BEEN DENIED BY OUR DEPARTMENT.
- 20 FIRE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT: OUR CLASSIFICATIONS REQUIRE US TO
- 21 DEAL WITH MARINE FIRES, PATROL BOAT-- OR BOATING FIRES THAT
- 22 TAKE PLACE OUT ON THESE LAKES AND ARE VERY COMMON. WE HAVE NO
- 23 FIRE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT TO DO OUR JOB IN TRYING TO
- 24 EXTINGUISH THESE THINGS. GROOMING STANDARDS SO THAT OUR
- 25 LIFEGUARDS DON'T HAVE VISIBLE TATTOOS AND NOSE RINGS AND OTHER



- 1 PIERCINGS OUT THERE. OUR DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN UNWILLING TO PUSH
- 2 THOSE THROUGH FOR US. WE DO NOT HAVE A CHIEF LIFEGUARD THAT
- 3 CAN COORDINATE ALL OF THE STAFF AND RESOURCES BETWEEN ALL
- 4 THREE LAKES. EACH LAKE OPERATES INDIVIDUALLY. THE TRAINING
- 5 CRITERIA AND STANDARDS ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT. AND,
- 6 ADDITIONALLY, THERE'S NO QUALITY CONTROL MECHANISM FOR US TO
- 7 REVIEW THE EMERGENCY PROTOCOLS THAT WE UTILIZE OUT IN THE
- 8 FIELD AND GET FEEDBACK FROM OUR MEDICAL DIRECTOR ON HOW TO
- 9 IMPROVE OUR PRACTICES OUT IN THE FIELD. ANOTHER SMALL
- 10 TESTIMONY THAT I'D LIKE TO GIVE, WHICH IS A PERSONAL
- 11 EXPERIENCE OF MINE. FOR THE PAST 10 YEARS, WE'VE BEEN WORKING
- 12 WITH OUR DEPARTMENT TO TRY AND INCREASE THE LEVEL OF SERVICE
- 13 THAT WE'VE HAD. I, PERSONALLY, AS A LIFEGUARD, WORK OUT IN THE
- 14 FIELD AND LOOK FOR WAYS TO IMPROVE THE LEVEL OF SERVICE THAT
- 15 WE'VE HAD. ONE OF THE PROBLEMS THAT WE HAD WAS THAT WE WERE
- 16 NOT INCORPORATED INTO THE 9-1-1 SYSTEM AND, WHEN PEOPLE WOULD
- 17 MAKE CALLS IN THE PARK, AN ENTIRE AGENCY THAT WAS EQUIPPED
- 18 WITH DEFIBRILLATORS, RESUSCITATORS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL
- 19 TECHNICIANS, WAS COMPLETELY BYPASSED BECAUSE WE WERE NOT
- 20 INCLUDED IN THE SYSTEM. I MET WITH MR. COOPER ON THIS ISSUE, I
- 21 MET WITH MR. SMITH ON THIS ISSUE AND I MET WITH MR. GALLAGHER
- 22 ON THIS ISSUE AND DISCUSSED THIS WITH THEM AND TOLD THEM IT
- 23 WAS OF VITAL IMPORTANCE BUT, BECAUSE THEY ARE-- THEY HAVE
- 24 BACKGROUNDS IN RECREATION AND PARKS, THEY DIDN'T SEE THE
- 25 IMPORTANCE OF IT. IT WASN'T UNTIL JANUARY 25TH, 2003, WHERE A



- 1 15-MONTH-OLD BY THE NAME OF ANDREW CROSS, WHO WAS-- WHOSE
- 2 FATHER WAS PUTTING A SAILBOAT ON HIS TRAILER, IT WASN'T UNTIL
- 3 HE FELL IN THE LAKE AND WE FOUND HIM-- OR HIS FATHER FOUND HIM
- 4 IN FULL CARDIAC AND RESPIRATORY ARREST THAT THIS BOARD AND OUR
- 5 DEPARTMENT MOVED TO ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. THERE WAS A LIFEGUARD
- 6 PATROL BOAT WITHIN VISUAL DISTANCE OF THIS TRAGEDY BUT, WHEN
- 7 THEY CALLED 9-1-1, 17 MINUTES WENT BY BEFORE THE LIFEGUARDS
- 8 WERE NOTIFIED OF THIS INCIDENT. I KNOW, BECAUSE I WAS THE
- 9 LIFEGUARD THAT TENDED TO THAT INCIDENT AND I HAD TO LOOK HIS
- 10 PARENTS IN THE EYE, KNOWING THAT I HAD DONE EVERYTHING I COULD
- 11 TO TRY AND GET THE LIFEGUARDS INCORPORATED INTO THE 9-1-1
- 12 SYSTEM BUT ALL MY EFFORTS WERE FUTILE BECAUSE THE PARKS
- 13 ADMINISTRATION DOES NOT HAVE AN EMERGENCY SERVICE BACKGROUND
- 14 THAT WOULD ALLOW THEM TO SEE THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS.

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16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. COULD YOU-- YOUR TIME IS UP.

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18 HUGO MALDONADO: THANK YOU.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. I'M GOING TO ASK NANCY RIGG AND MARK
- 21 ALLEN TO COME UP AND JOIN US AND TO TAKE TO-- TRACY OR PETER?

- 23 TRACY HILD: I'M TRACY HILD AND I'M A RETIRED LIFEGUARD AND
- 24 I'VE DEALT WITH THE BOARD ON MANY ISSUES IN THE PAST. I WAS
- 25 ALSO PAST PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION. I'M BASICALLY HERE



- 1 JUST TO LET YOU KNOW MORE ON A PERSONAL LEVEL. I ALSO HAVE
- 2 BEEN A LIFEGUARD FOR OVER 12 YEARS AND, JUST TO SEE-- MY
- 3 BIGGEST CONCERN AND WHAT I CRY OUT FOR IS THE PUBLIC BECAUSE
- 4 I'VE SEEN SO MANY LIVES RESCUED OUT THERE. I HAVE PERSONALLY
- 5 RESCUED SO MANY LIVES AND THE SITUATION THAT'S AT CASTAIC
- 6 RIGHT NOW IS PRETTY SCARY. PARKS AND REC HAS FAILED TO PUT
- 7 LIFEGUARDS OUT THERE. THEY SAY THEY HAVE TWO LIFEGUARDS UP
- 8 THERE BUT A SINGLE LIFEGUARD CANNOT PERFORM ANY RESCUES BY
- 9 THEMSELVES. IT'S ACTUALLY PUTTING A LIFEGUARD IN DANGER WHEN
- 10 THEY'RE OUT THERE. YOU CANNOT PERFORM A RESCUE SUCCESSFULLY
- 11 UNLESS YOU HAVE A PARTNER, OKAY? YOU HAVE A PUBLIC SAFETY
- 12 OFFICER OUT THERE, YOU SAY, BUT HE'S ONLY THERE PRETTY MUCH
- 13 FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THEY WILL NOT GO ON PATROL UNLESS THEY
- 14 HAVE A PARTNER. SO HOW CAN YOU SAY THIS FACILITY IS SAFE?
- 15 BEING IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WOULD MAKE THAT A PRIORITY. BEING
- 16 IN A SAFETY DEPARTMENT WOULD MAKE THAT A PRIORITY. ANOTHER
- 17 THING IS, THIS SHOULD NOT BE A BUDGET ISSUE, IT SHOULD BE A
- 18 LIFE-SAVING ISSUE. YOU ARE SAVING MILLIONS JUST TO MAKE A
- 19 LITTLE OVER A MILLION DOLLARS BY CUTTING LIFEGUARDS BUT YOU
- 20 ARE GOING TO HAVE MULTI, MULTI MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN LAWSUITS
- 21 BY LIVES LOST. IT'S GUARANTEED TO HAPPEN. I'VE SEEN IT HAPPEN.
- 22 BUT, WITHOUT LIFEGUARDS THERE, IT'S GOING TO GET WORSE. SO I--
- 23 PLEASE, I BEG OF YOU TO PUT ON YOUR HEART THAT YOU WILL SEE
- 24 THAT-- THE SEVERITY OF THIS SITUATION. I PRAY THAT GOD WILL BE
- 25 WITH YOU AND IT PUT ON YOUR HEART THE SEVERITY OF THE



- 1 SITUATION THAT WE'RE PUT IN RIGHT NOW. SO, AS A MOTHER AND AS
- 2 A PUBLIC PERSON WHO GOES TO THIS LAKE, I WANT TO SEE
- 3 LIFEGUARDS BACK UP THERE AND PROVIDING A SERVICE FOR MY
- 4 CHILDREN AND FOR THE PUBLIC THAT ARE THERE AND TO ALSO PROVIDE
- 5 THE PROGRAMS THAT HAVE GONE ON UP THERE, THE JUNIOR GUARD
- 6 PROGRAMS THAT HAVE CARRIED ON TO BRING GREAT LIFEGUARDS IN
- 7 THIS ORGANIZATION. SO, AGAIN, I ASK THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS
- 8 TO TAKE THIS AS SERIOUSLY AS POSSIBLE AND TO BRING THE
- 9 LIFEGUARDS INTO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WHICH THE SITUATION WILL
- 10 BE TAKEN MORE SERIOUSLY. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. PETER?

- 14 PETER MOORE: MY NAME IS PETER MOORE, I'VE BEEN A LIFEGUARD AT
- 15 CASTAIC LAKE FOR 30 YEARS. I'M THE LAST REMAINING LIFEGUARD. I
- 16 DO HAVE A SUPERVISOR UP THERE. IN THAT 30 YEARS, I'VE SEEN
- 17 EVERYTHING THAT YOU CAN POSSIBLY IMAGINE HAPPEN AND WHAT WE DO
- 18 DIRECTLY PARALLELS WHAT THE BEACH LIFEGUARDS WHO ARE ALREADY
- 19 IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DOES. WHEN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DIDN'T
- 20 HAVE A SWIFT WATER RESCUE TEAM, THEN THEY CAME UP THERE AND
- 21 STARTED USING US FOR THEIR PEOPLE TO GET THE PROGRAM STARTED
- 22 WITH AND HAVING LIFEGUARDS JUMP OUT OF HELICOPTERS BECAUSE
- 23 THEY COULDN'T GET ANYBODY ELSE TO DO IT. WE'VE BEEN GOING DOWN
- 24 TO THE BEACH AND TRAINING WITH THEM, AND OUR TRAINING IS
- 25 EXACTLY WHAT THEY DO AND WE ACTUALLY EVEN TEACH THEM SOME



- 1 THINGS, EVEN INCLUDING HOW TO OPERATE SOME OF THEIR
- 2 NAVIGATIONAL EQUIPMENT. WE JUST-- THAT'S WHAT WE BELONG-- WE
- 3 DO THE EXACT SAME THING AS THEY DO AND I THINK THAT'S-- IT'S
- 4 IMPORTANT FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY THAT WE'RE IN WITH THE FIRE
- 5 DEPARTMENT. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY. THANK YOU. [ APPLAUSE ]

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7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NANCY?

- 9 NANCY RIGG: UMM, GOOD AFTERNOON -- GOOD MORNING. IT'S BEEN A
- 10 WHILE SINCE I'VE HAD THE PLEASURE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD AND I
- 11 WANTED TO SAY THAT I'M SORRY THAT I HAVE TO BE HERE BECAUSE I
- 12 WOULD LIKE YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S
- 13 RECOMMENDATION TO TRANSFER THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LAKE
- 14 LIFEGUARDS INTO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE
- 15 LAKE LIFEGUARDS ARE KEY MEMBERS OF THE COUNTYWIDE PUBLIC
- 16 SAFETY NETWORK, INCLUDING THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SWIFT WATER
- 17 RESCUE PROGRAM. WITH THEIR FLEET OF RESCUE BOATS, RESCUE
- 18 APPARATUS AND LIFESAVING EXPERIENCE, THESE PROFESSIONALS WOULD
- 19 BE BETTER ABLE TO SERVE THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES IF THEY
- 20 WERE FULLY INTEGRATED INTO THE STRUCTURE OF THE LOS ANGELES
- 21 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, IN THE SAME WAY THAT THEIR OCEAN
- 22 LIFEGUARD COUNTERPARTS HAVE BEEN. FLOODING, AS YOU KNOW, IS A
- 23 MAJOR POTENTIAL HAZARD THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SINCE
- 24 1992, THERE'S BEEN A TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO BUILD AN EFFICIENT,
- 25 CAPABLE, COST- EFFECTIVE NETWORK OF SWIFT WATER RESCUE TEAMS



- 1 TO ENSURE QUICK SWIFT WATER AND FLOOD RESCUE RESPONSE
- 2 COUNTYWIDE. IN ADDITION TO THE FLOOD-SWOLLEN L.A. AND SAN
- 3 GABRIEL RIVERS, THE AREAS AROUND THE COUNTY'S LAKES AND DAMS
- 4 AND THE 470 MILES OF OPEN FLOOD CONTROL CHANNELS POSE A
- 5 SERIOUS THREAT TO THE LIVES OF ANYONE WHO MAY GET SWEPT
- 6 DOWNSTREAM. BECAUSE IT TAKES ONLY MOMENTS FOR SOMEONE TO
- 7 DROWNED IN THE TORRENT, A SPEEDY RESPONSE AND PROPERLY TRAINED
- 8 AND EQUIPPED SWIFT WATER RESCUE PERSONNEL ARE VITAL TO
- 9 SUCCESSFUL FLOOD RESCUE MISSIONS. THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS ARE
- 10 TRAINED AND EQUIPPED TO SERVE ON THE SWIFT WATER RESCUE TEAM.
- 11 HOWEVER, DUE TO THE PERPLEXING LACK OF VISION ON THE PART OF
- 12 THE NONPUBLIC SAFETY MANAGERS WITHIN PARKS AND RECREATION,
- 13 MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS HAVE NEVER EVEN BEEN SIGNED. NOW, YOU
- 14 MAY THINK THAT THIS IS SORT OF A NON-ISSUE BUT, IF YOU
- 15 REMEMBER IN 1997, '98, WE HAD A TREMENDOUS EL NINO SYSTEM AND
- 16 IT COST THE LIVES OF THREE TEENAGERS WHO, ON NOVEMBER 27TH,
- 17 WERE SWEPT DOWN THE ALHAMBRA WASH. THE LAKE LIFEGUARD SWIFT
- 18 WATER RESCUE PEOPLE WERE WITHIN MINUTES OF THEIR LOCATION AND
- 19 YET THEY WERE NOT DISPATCHED. THE STORM WAS A SURPRISE AND NO
- 20 OTHER SWIFT WATER RESCUE TEAMS WERE AVAILABLE BUT, DUE TO
- 21 PARKS AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT DELAYS, THEY WERE-- THE LAKE
- 22 LIFEGUARDS WERE NOT THERE. WOULD A QUICKER RESPONSE HAVE
- 23 CHANGED THE TRAGIC OUTCOME THAT COST THE LIVES OF THREE YOUNG
- 24 PEOPLE, GRISELLE DE GALLO, DELSAY COSTARICA AND HER BROTHER,
- 25 RAUL NALEY, WHO CLUNG TO ONE ANOTHER ARM IN ARM DURING THEIR

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- 1 LAST MOMENTS ON EARTH? WE SHALL NEVER KNOW BUT I KNOW THAT THE
- 2 NETWORK OF SWIFT WATER RESCUE TEAMS IS FRACTURING ALREADY AND
- 3 I JUST-- I'LL BE VERY BRIEF HERE BUT WE'VE ALREADY LOST THE
- 4 CITY OF GLENDALE WE'VE ALREADY LOST CULVER CITY AND NOW, IF
- 5 WE'RE GOING TO LOSE THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS, THAT'S YET ANOTHER
- 6 CHUNK IN OUR SYSTEM. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR PLEASE SUPPORTING
- 7 THE TRANSFER OF LIFEGUARDS INTO THE L.A. COUNTY FIRE
- 8 DEPARTMENT. IT'S WHERE THEY BELONG.

10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU, NANCY. [ APPLAUSE ]

12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NANCY, I JUST, IN ADVANCE AND MAYBE, WHILE

- 13 WE'RE NOT IN AGREEMENT NECESSARILY WITH ALL THE ISSUES
- 14 SOMETIMES BUT I REALLY WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
- 15 IN THAT SWIFT WATER RESCUE AND WHAT YOU WERE ABLE TO
- 16 ACCOMPLISH WITH YOUR ASSISTANCE AND PERSEVERANCE.

18 NANCY RIGG: THANK YOU, SIR, FOR YOUR SUPPORT. THANK YOU.

20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MARK?

22 MARK ALLEN: HONORABLE BOARD, MY NAME IS MARK ALLEN. I'VE BEEN

- 23 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AS A SENIOR LAKE
- 24 LIFEGUARD. BEEN WITH THE DEPARTMENT SINCE 1991. AND SOMETHING
- 25 MY FIRST SUPERVISOR SAID TO ME WHEN I GOT HIRED WAS, "THE BEST



- 1 PART ABOUT BEING A LIFEGUARD FOR PARKS AND RECREATION IS YOU
- 2 WORK FOR SOME GUY WHO HAS NO IDEA WHAT YOU DO FOR A LIVING
- 3 AND, AT THE SAME TIME, THE WORST PART ABOUT BEING A LIFEGUARD
- 4 FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION IS YOU WORK FOR SOME GUY WHO HAS
- 5 NO IDEA WHAT YOU DO FOR A LIVING." BY MOVING THE LAKE
- 6 LIFEGUARDS TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WE WOULD WORK WITH A
- 7 DEPARTMENT THAT UNDERSTANDS LAKE LIFEGUARD NEEDS FOR
- 8 RESOURCES, FOR EQUIPMENT, FOR CONTINUED TRAINING, SO THAT THE
- 9 LAKE LIFEGUARDS MAY CONTINUE TO GIVE THE BEST POSSIBLE SERVICE
- 10 TO THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND NOT TO BE CUT TO THE
- 11 BONE BY PARKS AND RECREATION. I ASK THE BOARD TO PLACE THIS
- 12 PRIORITY ON THE SAFETY OF THE CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
- 13 AND STRONGLY CONSIDER SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S MOTION TO MOVE
- 14 LAKE LIFEGUARDS INTO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WHERE WE ALREADY HAVE
- 15 A VERY CLOSE RELATIONSHIP. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND
- 16 CONSIDERATION OF THIS REQUEST. [ APPLAUSE ]
- 18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. I DON'T HAVE ANY
- 19 OTHER PEOPLE SIGNED UP. THE ITEM BEFORE US. I DON'T KNOW IF WE
- 20 WANT STAFF TO RESPOND.
- 22 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'D LIKE THE STAFF TO RESPOND.
- 24 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. WELL, C.A.O. MR. GALLAGHER, IF YOU'RE
- 25 HERE.

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2 C.A.O. GALLAGHER: GOOD AFTERNOON.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GOOD AFTERNOON. ALMOST.

- 6 C.A.O. GALLAGHER: I HAVE WITH ME ALSO RUSS KENNY, CHIEF DEPUTY
- 7 FOR THE DEPARTMENT. IF THE BOARD WOULD ALLOW, I'D LIKE MAKE A
- 8 FEW COMMENTS BASED UPON SOME OF THE STATEMENTS THAT WERE MADE
- 9 BY SOME OF THE LIFEGUARDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT. WE VALUE THEIR
- 10 WORK THAT THEY DO AT THE LAKES. THEY'RE AN INTEGRAL PART OF
- 11 OUR DEPARTMENT, INTEGRAL PART OF OUR MISSION OF PUBLIC SAFETY.
- 12 OUR DEPARTMENT IS NOT JUST ABOUT MOWING LAWNS AND THROWING
- 13 BASKETBALLS OUT; OUR DEPARTMENT IS ABOUT ENSURING THAT OUR
- 14 PARKS AND FACILITIES ARE SAFE FOR THE PUBLIC THAT IS OUT
- 15 THERE. THEIR STATEMENT THAT THERE'S A LACK OF EXPERIENCE IN
- 16 THE DEPARTMENT RELATING TO LIFEGUARDS IS INCORRECT. I AM
- 17 PERSONALLY POST-CERTIFIED. I HAVE 25 YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN
- 18 MANAGING BOTH POOL AND LAKE LIFEGUARDS. SAN LEWIS OBISPO, WE
- 19 MANAGE TWO LAKES. RUSS KENNY IS POST-CERTIFIED 25 YEARS OF
- 20 CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, INCLUDING YEARS
- 21 MANAGING LAKE AND BEACH LIFEGUARDS IN L.A. COUNTY. WHEN RUSS
- 22 FIRST CAME TO THE DEPARTMENT, ONE OF HIS FIRST TASKS, ABOUT A
- 23 YEAR AND A HALF AGO, WAS TO WORK WITH THE LIFEGUARDS TO
- 24 EVALUATE THE SITUATION BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS
- 25 THAT WE HAD RECEIVED ABOUT THE ITEMS THAT THEY FELT THAT THEY



- 1 DIDN'T HAVE. RUSS' RECENT EXPERIENCES WITH STATE PARKS AND
- 2 RECENT EXPERIENCE IN WORKING WITH LIFEGUARDS IN L.A. COUNTY
- 3 WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN TAKING A LOOK AT THE ENTIRE SYSTEM. WHAT
- 4 WE FOUND IS THAT THEY'RE AN IMPORTANT INTEGRAL PART OF OUR
- 5 DEPARTMENT BUT WE ALSO FOUND THAT THERE'S A LOT OF THINGS THAT
- 6 ARE JUST NOT NEEDED AND WE WORK WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND
- 7 OTHERS. YOU HEARD ABOUT FIRE-PROTECTING GEAR. WE HAVE NOT HAD
- 8 A FIRE IN A BOAT FOR OVER A YEAR AND A HALF AND, IN THE PAST
- 9 THREE YEARS, WE'VE HAD ONE FIRE, NOT COUNTING SMOKING ENGINES,
- 10 ACTUAL FIRES. AND SO THE NEED TO PURCHASE THIS EQUIPMENT WHEN
- 11 WE DO HAVE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER BACKUP PERSONNEL WHO
- 12 COULD RESPOND TO THE LAKES IF AN EMERGENCY DID OCCUR AND TO
- 13 MAKE THOSE EXPENDITURES WAS NOT REGARDED AS HIGH PRIORITY. WE
- 14 ALSO LOOKED AT THE DISPATCH SYSTEM AND THE DISPATCH SYSTEM
- 15 THAT WE HAVE AS A DEPARTMENT. WE MADE STEPS TO IMPROVE OUR
- 16 PROCESS AND OUR ABILITY TO RESPOND TO THE 9-1-1 SYSTEM. OUR
- 17 DEPARTMENT, WHEN 9-1-1 WAS CREATED FOR THE COUNTY, WAS NOT
- 18 INCLUDED. WE ARE NOT PART OF THAT. THAT WOULD BE A COST THAT
- 19 THE BOARD WOULD NEED TO DIRECT AND MAKE THAT HAPPEN. BUT WE
- 20 HAVE WORKED WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT
- 21 SO NOW THE LIFEGUARDS DO HAVE A PAGER THAT, WHEN THE FIRE
- 22 DEPARTMENT IS RESPONDING TO AN INCIDENT AT ONE OF OUR LAKES ON
- 23 A 9-1-1 CALL, THE PAGER GOES OFF SO THEY KNOW THE FIRE
- 24 DEPARTMENT IS ON THE WAY. SO THE PROBLEM THAT WAS MENTIONED,
- 25 YOU KNOW, HAS BEEN ALLEVIATED. SO WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH



- 1 THEM AND WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE LIFEGUARDS. I WANT TO
- 2 MAKE AN IMPORTANT POINT, IS THAT THE LIFEGUARDS ARE
- 3 GENERALISTS. THEY HAVE A VARIETY OF DUTIES AND
- 4 RESPONSIBILITIES, INCLUDING PUBLIC SAFETY AND LIFEGUARDING.
- 5 THEY DO RECREATION PROGRAMMING, THEY DO JUNIOR LIFEGUARD
- 6 PROGRAMS, THEY MAINTAIN OUR FLOATING REST ROOMS, INCLUDING
- 7 CHANGING THE TOILET PAPER, THEY ADJUST THE DOCKS, THEY DO
- 8 PATROL, THEY HELP CROWD CONTROL DURING SPECIAL EVENTS. THEY
- 9 WORK SIDE BY SIDE WITH VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE AND VERY TRAINED
- 10 PARK MAINTENANCE PEOPLE, PARK RECREATION PEOPLE, WHO HAVE A
- 11 LOT OF SKILLS AND CAPABILITIES THAT THE LIFEGUARDS DON'T HAVE
- 12 BUT, TOGETHER, THE TWO SKILLS AND CAPABILITIES COMPLIMENT EACH
- 13 OTHER. MOVING THEM OUT OF THE DEPARTMENT, I'M FEARFUL THAT
- 14 YOU'RE GOING TO CREATE TWO SYSTEMS WITHIN SOME VERY BUSY, VERY
- 15 COMPLICATED LAKES AND, RIGHT NOW, WHEN WE HAVE STAFF WORKING
- 16 SIDE BY SIDE VERY COOPERATIVELY AND VERY POSITIVELY, I THINK
- 17 WE HAVE A GOOD PROGRAM AND WE CAN CONTINUE MOVING FORWARD.
- 18 WITH THAT, I'D BE GLAD TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT
- 19 HAVE.

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21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES? QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR BURKE?

- 23 SUP. BURKE: I'D LIKE TO GET A CLARIFICATION ON THE SWIFT WATER
- 24 ISSUE. IS IT BEING MOVED OR WHAT IS -- IT WAS NOT CLEAR TO ME
- 25 WHAT WAS...



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- 2 C.A.O. GALLAGHER: WELL, IF IT'S BEING MOVED, IT'S NEW TO ME.
- 3 THEY PARTICIPATE IN THE TRAINING PROGRAM WITH SWIFT WATER
- 4 RESCUE. I DON'T WANT TO PUT CHIEF FREEMAN ON THE SPOT BUT HE
- 5 IS A REALLY INTEGRAL PART OF THAT WHOLE PROGRAM AND I KNOW OUR
- 6 LIFEGUARDS DO PARTICIPATE IN THAT PROGRAM AND WE'VE MADE NO --
- 7 IT'S NEWS TO ME IF THEY'RE BEING MOVED OUT OF IT. IT'S NOT BY
- 8 OUR DIRECTIVE. IT WOULD BE VOLUNTARY ON THEIR OWN.

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH: YEAH, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT WE ALL
- 13 KNOW THE GREAT SERVICE THAT THEY PROVIDE AT CASTAIC, SANTA FE
- 14 DAM AND BONELLI AND THEY SERVE APPROXIMATELY TWO MILLION
- 15 VISITORS A YEAR AT THESE THREE FACILITIES AND THE PARKS HAVE
- 16 DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB AT MANAGING AND MAINTAINING THOSE
- 17 FACILITIES BUT THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE WITHIN THE PARKS
- 18 DOES NOT FULLY SUPPORT THE LIFEGUARD FUNCTIONS, BECAUSE
- 19 LIFEGUARDS ARE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL AND OUGHT TO BE HOUSED
- 20 IN DEPARTMENT THAT HAS PUBLIC SAFETY AS THEIR PRIMARY MISSION,
- 21 AS WAS STATED EARLIER BY ONE OF THE INDIVIDUAL LIFEGUARDS,
- 22 HE'S-- ABOUT THE SERIOUS PROBLEM THAT OCCURRED IN JANUARY OF
- 23 THIS PAST YEAR WHERE A 15-MONTH-OLD CHILD WAS FOUND
- 24 UNCONSCIOUS AT THE WATER AT BONELLI PARK AND COUNTY FIRE DID
- 25 RESPOND TO THAT 9-1-1 CALL. BUT, HAD THE-- THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS



- 1 WERE NOT NOTIFIED OF THIS INCIDENT, YET THEY COULD HAVE BEEN
- 2 ON THE SCENE ALMOST IMMEDIATELY AND I UNDERSTAND THAT THEY
- 3 DON'T HAVE ACCESS BUT THE CASHIERS HAVE ACCESS TO 9-1-1 CALLS?

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- 5 C.A.O. GALLAGHER: THE LIFEGUARDS HAVE ACCESS TO 9-1-1 CALLS
- 6 NOW THROUGH A PAGER SYSTEM THAT I EXPLAINED THAT WE HAVE THAT
- 7 GOES OFF WHEN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT IS NOW RESPONDING TO 9-1-1.

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9 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WHO HAS THE PAGER? THE LIFEGUARD?

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11 C.A.O. GALLAGHER: THE LIFEGUARDS.

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: LIFEGUARDS NOW. NO LONGER THE CASHIER?

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15 C.A.O. GALLAGHER: RIGHT.

- 17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND WHILE PARKS HAS TAKEN ACTION TO ADDRESS
- 18 THIS COMMUNICATION, IF LIFEGUARDS WERE A PART OF THE FIRE
- 19 DEPARTMENT, THIS WOULD NEVER BE A PROBLEM IN THE FUTURE. ONE
- 20 EXAMPLE THAT MANAGEMENT FACES IS WITH, BEING PARKS AND REC, IS
- 21 THAT THEY'RE CURRENTLY SUPERVISED BY A PARKS SUPERINTENDENT
- 22 AND THERE'S NO REQUIREMENT FOR PARK SUPERINTENDENTS TO HAVE
- 23 LIFE SAFETY OR PUBLIC SAFETY SKILLS, YET THEY HAVE A TASK OF
- 24 MANAGING THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES.
- 25 THE MOTION TRANSFERS THE LIFEGUARD FUNDING FROM PARKS TO FIRE



- 1 AND THERE IS NO COST INCREASE. IT'S JUST A SHIFT OF FUNDS.
- 2 THERE WILL NOT BE A NEGATIVE IMPACT ON THE FIRE DISTRICT
- 3 FINANCES. THE TRANSFER IS NOT AN INCREASE IN SALARY OR
- 4 BENEFITS FOR LAKE LIFEGUARDS BECAUSE LAKE LIFEGUARDS ALREADY
- 5 RECEIVE PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT, SO THERE'S NO ADDITIONAL
- 6 COST. HOWEVER, THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS WILL CONTINUE TO PERFORM
- 7 ALL OF THOSE FUNCTIONS THAT THEY ARE CURRENTLY PERFORMING
- 8 WITHIN THE PARKS. ADDITIONAL STAFFING WOULD NOT BE NEEDED FOR
- 9 EITHER DEPARTMENT. THE LIFEGUARDS HAVE AN ORGANIZATIONAL
- 10 STRUCTURE THAT ALLOWS FOR SUPERVISION OF PERSONNEL. IN
- 11 ADDITION, THEIR ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE FITS INTO THE FIRE
- 12 DEPARTMENT'S OCEAN LIFEGUARD STRUCTURE. OTHER BENEFITS INCLUDE
- 13 THE OPPORTUNITY FOR INCREASED TRAINING AND ABILITY TO OBTAIN
- 14 GRANTS WOULD COME AS A RESULT. TRAINING HAS OFTEN BEEN AN
- 15 ISSUE WITH THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS BECAUSE, AGAIN, IN A SITUATION
- 16 IN WHICH THE MISSION OF THE DEPARTMENTS GREATLY DIFFER FROM
- 17 THE MISSION OF THE LIFEGUARDS. SO IT WOULD BE IMPERATIVE THAT
- 18 THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS BE TREATED WITH THE SAME REGARD AS THE
- 19 OCEAN LIFEGUARDS. THIS IS ONLY SOMETHING THAT CAN OCCUR IF
- 20 THEY WERE TRANSFERRED INTO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND, AGAIN,
- 21 TRANSFERRING TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE THE RIGHT STEP TO
- 22 TAKE TO ENSURE THAT THE PUBLIC IS PROTECTED TO ITS FULLEST
- 23 EXTENT. AND, AGAIN, THERE'S NO INCREASE IN FEES BECAUSE THE
- 24 FUNDS ARE BEING TRANSFERRED OVER TO THE DEPARTMENT.



1 SUP. BURKE: I HAVE JUST ONE OTHER QUESTION?

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- 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES AND I WOULD LIKE, SUPERVISOR BURKE, IF
- 4 I MIGHT ASK MR. JANSSEN. I BELIEVE, IN THE C.A.O.'S REPORT,
- 5 YOU SAID THERE ARE ADDITIONAL COSTS? YOU BELIEVE THERE ARE?

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- 7 C.A.O. JANSSEN: MR. CHAIRMAN, WE THINK THERE ARE GOING--
- 8 UNIDENTIFIED BUT THERE WILL BE MANAGEMENT INCREASES BECAUSE
- 9 YOU'RE PULLING APART THE ORGANIZATION, SHIFTING IT. THE FIRE
- 10 DEPARTMENT DOESN'T HAVE EXTRA MONEY LAYING AROUND TO PROVIDE
- 11 FOR EXTRA MANAGEMENT AND THE PARKS DEPARTMENT, BECAUSE THEY'RE
- 12 GENERALISTS, THEY'RE DOING A LOT OF DIFFERENT THINGS FOR THE
- 13 PARKS DEPARTMENT, THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO
- 14 MAKE UP THOSE OTHER DUTIES BECAUSE, IF THEY MOVE TO FIRE, I
- 15 PRESUME THEY'RE NO LONGER GOING TO BE DOING THOSE DUTIES IN
- 16 THE DEPARTMENT. SO WE ANTICIPATE THERE WILL BE ADDITIONAL
- 17 COSTS IN BOTH ORGANIZATIONS.

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19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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- 21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: COULD I ASK-- WHAT ABOUT THE PENSION ISSUE?
- 22 IS IT...

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24 C.A.O. JANSSEN: WE'RE CHECKING THAT. I WASN'T AWARE...



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DO LAKE LIFEGUARDS GET SAFETY OFFICER'S
- 2 PENSION?

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4 TIM GALLAGHER: I UNDERSTAND THEY'RE CURRENTLY SAFETY.

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6 C.A.O. JANSSEN: THEY ARE.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH: COULD I HAVE DERIK ELLERI COME UP FOR A
- 9 MOMENT?

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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- 13 SUP. BURKE: I'D LIKE TO GET A CLARIFICATION OF WHAT'S REALLY
- 14 BEING PROPOSED. THE POOL LIFEGUARDS WOULD REMAIN IN PARKS AND
- 15 REC. ARE YOU ALSO MOVING THE POOL LIFEGUARDS?

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NO.

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- 19 SUP. BURKE: THE POOL LIFEGUARDS WOULD REMAIN WITH PARKS BUT
- 20 THEN THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS, WOULD THEY BE ABSORBED INTO THE FIRE
- 21 DEPARTMENT AS PART OF THE OCEAN LIFEGUARDS OR WOULD THEY BE A
- 22 SEPARATE DIVISION IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, SEPARATE AND APART
- 23 FROM THE OCEAN LIFEGUARDS?

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25 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THAT COULD BE WORKED OUT.



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- 2 SUP. BURKE: WELL, I MEAN, IT'S A VERY CRUCIAL THING. I MEAN,
- 3 THE ISSUE, IN TERMS OF COST, RELATES TO WHETHER OR NOT YOU'RE
- 4 CREATING A SEPARATE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR
- 5 LAKE LIFEGUARDS. ARE THEY BEING ABSORBED? AND, IF YOU'RE
- 6 SAYING THEIR BEING ABSORBED INTO THE OCEAN LIFEGUARDS, I HAVE
- 7 A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS. WILL THEY HAVE TO TAKE THE SAME TEST AS
- 8 OCEAN LIFEGUARDS AND WILL IT BE INTERCHANGEABLE?

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: I THINK THAT IS SOMETHING THAT COULD BE DONE
- 11 BUT WE HAVE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE EMPLOYEES HERE.

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- 13 DERIK ELLERI[?]: IT IS OUR INTENTION THAT WE WOULD BE THE LAKE
- 14 LIFEGUARD DIVISION WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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16 SUP. BURKE: AND YOU'D HAVE YOUR OWN MANAGEMENT. IS THAT IT?

- 18 DERIK ELLERI: THE WAY WE'VE LOOKED AT IT IS THAT THERE IS A
- 19 CHIEF LIFEGUARD RIGHT NOW WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. HE HAS
- 20 SECTION CHIEFS WORKING FOR HIM, SUCH AS-- FROM THE SOUTHERN
- 21 SECTION, CENTRAL SECTION, NORTHERN SECTION. WE KIND OF HAVE
- 22 LOOKED AT THIS AS BEING A LAKE SECTION. WE WOULD TAKE-- WE
- 23 HAVE WHAT'S CALLED A LAKE AQUATICS MANAGER, WHICH IS KIND OF
- 24 OUR EQUIVALENT OF A SECTION CHIEF, KIND OF WORKS ALONG THE
- 25 SAME LINES AS FAR AS THEIR DUTIES, THAT THAT WOULD BE THE



- 1 PERSON THAT WOULD REPORT TO THE LIFEGUARD CHIEF WITHIN THE
- 2 FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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- 4 SUP. BURKE: BUT YOU WOULD NOT HAVE THE SAME REQUIREMENTS AS
- 5 THE OCEAN LIFEGUARDS?

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- 7 DERIK ELLERI: NOT AT THIS TIME. WE WOULD LOOK AT STAYING AS
- 8 LAKE LIFEGUARDS.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: BUT THE MOTION REQUIRES THE DEPARTMENTS TO
- 11 SIT DOWN AND WORK OUT THOSE ISSUES BEFORE IT WOULD COME BACK
- 12 FOR OFFICIAL ACTION. SO THOSE WOULD BE NEGOTIATED, DISCUSSED
- 13 AND-- BEFORE IT WOULD COME BACK BEFORE THE BOARD OF
- 14 SUPERVISORS.

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16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL...

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES, MR. YAROSLAVSKY?

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- 20 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHERE DID THIS RECOMMENDATION EMANATE FROM?
- 21 WAS THIS A MOTION OF THE BOARD OR DID IT COME FROM THE FIRE
- 22 DEPARTMENT, OR DID IT...

- 24 C.A.O. JANSSEN: MR. CHAIR, SUPERVISOR, ON FEBRUARY THE 3RD, ON
- 25 A MOTION OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE BOARD ASKED OUR OFFICE



- 1 TO WORK WITH PARKS, FIRE, PUBLIC SAFETY AND REPORT BACK ON THE
- 2 FEASIBILITY...

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- 4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: OKAY. SO IT CAME FROM THE BOARD-- FROM A
- 5 BOARD MEMBER.

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7 C.A.O. JANSSEN: CORRECT.

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- 9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT-- DOES THE FIRE
- 10 DEPARTMENT HAVE A POSITION ON THIS?

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: CHIEF FREEMAN, IS CHIEF FREEMAN HERE?

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14 C.A.O. JANSSEN: I UNDERSTAND THEY DO. YES, MIKE IS HERE.

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- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CAN I-- IS MIKE HERE? COULD WE HAVE THE
- 17 CHIEF UP?

- 19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I JUST-- AT LEAST MY COMMENT BEFORE THE
- 20 CHIEF SPEAKS, I MEAN, THE CONCERN THAT I HAVE IS THAT, IN AN
- 21 ACTION LIKE THIS, PARTICULARLY TODAY OR IN ANTICIPATION OF
- 22 WHAT MAY BE COMING DOWN THE PIPE BUDGET-WISE FOR US, THAT IT
- 23 MIGHT BE PREMATURE FOR US TO BE MAKING ANY MOVEMENT OF
- 24 PERSONNEL OR AFFECTING ANYBODY'S GENERAL FUND BUDGET, YOU



- 1 KNOW, PRIOR TO WHAT MAY HAPPEN IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS IN THE
- 2 MAY REVISE. YES, CHIEF FREEMAN?

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- 4 CHIEF FREEMAN: MR. CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE HAVE
- 5 EVALUATED THE MOTION AND THE PROPOSAL AS FAR AS WE COULD.
- 6 THERE'S CLEARLY SOME UNANSWERED QUESTIONS. WE DO UNDERSTAND
- 7 PUBLIC SAFETY. WE BELIEVE THAT, FROM THAT STANDPOINT, THAT WE
- 8 COULD CERTAINLY MAKE A TRANSITION WORK. HOWEVER, SOMEBODY HAS
- 9 TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT COSTS AND THAT'S STILL AN AREA WHERE, TO
- 10 ME, THERE ARE A LOT OF UNANSWERED QUESTIONS. I'M VERY
- 11 CONCERNED ABOUT ANY FINANCIAL IMPACT ON THE SPECIAL FIRE
- 12 DISTRICT BUDGET. WE HAVE A LOT OF GROWTH AREAS IN OUR
- 13 JURISDICTION. THERE'S NEEDS FOR NEW FIRE STATIONS AND
- 14 EXPANSION OF SERVICE, WHICH MUST BE FUNDED. SO THOSE COST
- 15 ISSUES, YET UNIDENTIFIED. SOME OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL
- 16 STRUCTURE, WHICH HAS BEEN ALLUDED TO THIS MORNING. THOSE ARE
- 17 QUESTIONS THAT NEED TO BE ANSWERED. BUT AS-- AS I SAID, WE CAN
- 18 MAKE IT WORK, CERTAINLY, FROM A PUBLIC SAFETY STANDPOINT BUT
- 19 WE ALSO HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY, AS DO YOU, TO TRY TO MAKE THE
- 20 BUDGET BALANCE.

- 22 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: CAN I ASK A QUESTION? WOULD-- IF THE
- 23 TRANSFER WERE MADE TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WOULD NOT THE MONEY
- 24 THAT IS NOW USED IN THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT GO
- 25 WITH IT?



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- 2 CHIEF FREEMAN: WELL, AS I UNDERSTAND THE MOTION, THAT IS THE
- 3 INTENTION, BUT I AM NOT CLEAR THE EXACT AMOUNT OF MONEY WHICH
- 4 WOULD COME OVER AND I'M NOT SURE HOW-- IF THERE ARE ANY GAPS,
- 5 HOW THOSE GAPS WOULD BE FILLED.

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND, EXCUSE MY IGNORANCE, BUT THE LAKE
- 8 LIFEGUARDS ARE A SEPARATE UNIT, BARGAINING UNIT, ARE THEY NOT,
- 9 FROM THE OTHER LIFEGUARDS, OR AM I INCORRECT?

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11 DERIK ELLERI: NO, WE ARE THE SAME BARGAINING UNIT.

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- 13 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YOU ARE THE SAME? SO YOU'RE PART OF THE
- 14 LIFEGUARD ASSOCIATION?

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16 **DERIK ELLERI:** CORRECT.

- 18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THE-- SO IF-- IF THEY WERE TO TRANSFER TO
- 19 THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE MONEY FROM THE PARKS DEPARTMENT
- 20 WERE TO GO WITH IT, WHATEVER THAT IS AND THEN WE WERE FACED
- 21 WITH A MASSIVE CUTBACK IN STATE FUNDING, I KNOW WHAT WE COULD
- 22 DO WITH THE PARKS DEPARTMENT, WHEN IT'S IN THEIR BUDGET, NOT
- 23 THAT WE WANT TO, BUT HOW-- HOW DO WE-- HOW DO WE DO THAT IN
- 24 THE FIRE DEPARTMENT? I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND HOW YOU--
- 25 HOW YOU DISTINGUISH BETWEEN-- IN A BUDGETARY SENSE, I GUESS



- 1 YOU COULD, BUT IT GETS A LITTLE MURKY, IT GETS ALL-- AND,
- 2 POLITICALLY, FRANKLY, CUTTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET IN A
- 3 BUDGETARY TIME IS MORE-- THIS MAY BE A GOOD REASON WHY LAKE
- 4 LIFEGUARDS WOULD RATHER BE UNDER YOUR PROTECTION, I DON'T
- 5 BLAME THEM, BUT IT'S TOUGHER TO CUT A FIRE DEPARTMENT BUDGET
- 6 THAN IT IS TO CUT A PARKS BUDGET ANY DAY OF THE YEAR. I'M JUST
- 7 STRUGGLING TO UNDERSTAND, IF YOU DON'T WANT IT AND THE PARKS
- 8 DEPARTMENT DON'T WANT IT, I UNDERSTAND THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS
- 9 WANT IT AND THEY'VE EXPLAINED WHY. I THINK WE NEED A LOT MORE
- 10 INFORMATION BEFORE WE MAKE THIS KIND OF A CHANGE. I THINK MS.
- 11 BURKE RAISED A COUPLE OF THEM. I'D LIKE TO-- I'M NOT AVERSE,
- 12 PHILOSOPHICALLY, TO THIS KIND OF A MOVE. TO BE VERY CLEAR
- 13 ABOUT IT, I HAVE NO DOG IN THIS FIGHT IN TERMS OF THE
- 14 DEPARTMENTS. I-- I JUST WANT TO-- ALL OTHER THINGS REMAINING
- 15 EQUAL, WHICH THEY ARE CLEARLY-- NOBODY CAN DEMONSTRATE TODAY
- 16 THAT THEY ARE EQUAL BUT ALL OTHER THINGS REMAINING EQUAL, I
- 17 DON'T-- TO ME, THERE'S AN ARGUMENT TO BE MADE TO PUT THEM, TO
- 18 PUT ALL THE LIFEGUARDS IN ONE SHOT ALTHOUGH YOU RAISED A GOOD
- 19 OUESTION. WHAT ABOUT-- THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN POOL
- 20 LIFEGUARDS AND LAKE LIFEGUARDS-- A SWIMMING POOL AND A LAKE. I
- 21 WOULD IMAGINE THAT SOME OF THE...

23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND THE OCEAN.

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- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND THE OCEAN, OBVIOUSLY THE OCEAN, THAT
- 2 SOME OF THE THINGS THAT THE LIFEGUARDS ARE CALLED UPON TO DO
- 3 IN A LAKE AND THE OCEAN ARE CONSIDERABLY DIFFERENT, MORE
- 4 COMPLEX THAN THEY ARE IN A POOL. BUT, NEVERTHELESS, MANY OF
- 5 THE THINGS ARE SIMILAR AND LIFE SUPPORT AND THAT C.P.R. AND
- 6 THOSE KINDS OF THINGS. SO I'M JUST TRYING TO FEEL MY WAY
- 7 THROUGH THIS. I'M CERTAINLY NOT READY TO MAKE A DECISION ONE
- 8 WAY OR THE OTHER TODAY. IF THAT'S WHERE YOU'RE HEADED, MR.
- 9 CHAIRMAN, I WOULD DEFER TO YOUR-- IF YOU WANT TO PUT THIS OVER
- 10 UNTIL WE AT LEAST HAVE A SENSE OF THE MAY REVISE, I WOULD
- 11 SUPPORT THAT AND THEN PERHAPS, IN THE MEANTIME, IF MR.
- 12 ANTONOVICH IS TAKING IT UPON HIMSELF TO-- UNDERTOOK THIS
- 13 PROJECT, MAYBE STAFF COULD WORK WITH HIM TO FERRET OUT SOME OF
- 14 THESE OTHER DETAILS IN THE MEANTIME THAT HAVE BEEN RAISED. SO
- 15 THE NEXT TIME WE DISCUSS THIS, IF IT'S 60 DAYS OR WHATEVER IT
- 16 IS, THAT WE HAVE ANSWERS TO ALL OF THESE QUESTIONS, IN
- 17 ADDITION TO KNOWING WHAT THE BUDGETARY SITUATION IS. WHAT I
- 18 DON'T WANT...

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20 **SPEAKER:** (INAUDIBLE)

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22 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHEN IS THAT? WHICH BUDGET?



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, I MEAN, WE HAVE TWO, I THINK TWO
- 2 ISSUES. ONE, I THINK OUR BUDGET DELIBERATIONS ACTUALLY START
- 3 PRIOR TO THE MAY REVISE?

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5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THAT'S RIGHT, APRIL 20TH.

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7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: BUT, I MEAN, WE'LL PROBABLY DELAY THEM.

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- 9 C.A.O. JANSSEN: IF IT GOES TO BUDGET DELIBERATIONS, IT WOULD
- 10 REALLY GO TO THE END OF JUNE, TO GO TO ACTUAL DELIBERATIONS,
- 11 WHICH IS WHERE YOU REALLY OUGHT TO BE HAVING THE DISCUSSIONS
- 12 ABOUT THE COSTS OF DOING THIS.

13

- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I JUST-- AND, AGAIN, I'M-- HAVING THE SENSE
- 15 THAT, OBVIOUSLY, I THINK PEOPLE KNOW MY SUPPORT FOR LIFEGUARDS
- 16 AND I'M NOT MAYBE AVERSE AT SOME POINT OF HAVING THAT UNIT
- 17 COME TOGETHER. I JUST THINK, AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME, IT'S--
- 18 IN LIGHT OF EVERYTHING, YOU KNOW, MOVING POTTIES AND PERSONNEL
- 19 AND GENERAL FUND VERSUS CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION, I MEAN,
- 20 ALL THESE DOLLAR UNITS AROUND IS NOT-- THE TIMING'S NOT GOOD
- 21 RIGHT NOW AND, YOU KNOW, IF YOU DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS AND
- 22 LOOK AT THIS, THAT WE NEED TO KNOW WHERE WE'RE GOING TO BE AT
- 23 FROM...



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: MR. CHAIRMAN, LET ME JUST SAY, INSTEAD OF
- 2 CLOSING THE DOOR ON THIS AND LET ME JUST MAKE THIS THE
- 3 FOLLOWING MOTION.

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- 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MIKE, MIKE, I DON'T THINK EITHER OF US-- I
- 6 DON'T THINK EITHER OF US IS SAYING CLOSE THE DOOR ON IT.

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8 SUP. ANTONOVICH: PERHAPS THIS WILL...

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10 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SO DON'T MISREAD IT.

- 12 SUP. ANTONOVICH: LET ME SAY THAT THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS, ONCE
- 13 AGAIN, THEY DO PROVIDE A IMPORTANT PUBLIC SAFETY COMPONENT AND
- 14 SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT THE BOARD, IF THE BOARD IS UNWILLING
- 15 TO AUTHORIZE THE TRANSFER AT THIS TIME OF THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS
- 16 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE FIRE
- 17 DEPARTMENT, THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE C.A.O., THE FIRE
- 18 DEPARTMENT, THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION, THE
- 19 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE LAKE LIFEGUARD
- 20 ASSOCIATION TO MEET ON A WEEKLY BASIS TO SPECIFICALLY DEFINE
- 21 THE CHALLENGES ASSOCIATED WITH A TRANSFER OF THE LAKE
- 22 LIFEGUARDS TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. THE FIRST MEETING
- 23 CONSISTING OF EACH DEPARTMENT PROVIDING A LIST OF DETAILED
- 24 ISSUES AND CONCERNS REGARDING SUCH A TRANSFER WHICH WOULD BE
- 25 ALSO SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD AND THAT THE DEPARTMENTS WORK TO



- 1 DETERMINE WHAT COULD BE DONE TO MITIGATE THOSE CONCERNS
- 2 OUTLINED BY EACH OF THE AGENCIES AND THAT WE HAVE BIWEEKLY
- 3 REPORTS, WITH THE FIRST REPORT DUE BY JUNE 18TH.

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- 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M GOING TO-- I'M GOING
- 6 TO MOVE, AS A SUBSTITUTE FOR ALL OF THIS, THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 7 DELAYED BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO BE ON RECORD ONE WAY OR THE
- 8 OTHER TODAY. I WOULD MOVE THAT THIS ITEM BE DEFERRED UNTIL A
- 9 DATE-- PICK A DATE THAT WE'RE COMFORTABLE WE'LL HAVE THE
- 10 INFORMATION. IS IT JUNE 18TH? IS THAT AS GOOD A DATE AS ANY?

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- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I ASSUME, BY HIS MOTION, THAT JUNE 18TH IS
- 13 OUR FIRST DATE OF DELIBERATIONS OR...

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15 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: IT'S JUNE 21ST.

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17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: JUNE 21ST.

- 19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ALL RIGHT. THEN I WOULD MOVE THAT, AS A
- 20 SUBSTITUTE, THIS ENTIRE MATTER BE DEFERRED, INCLUDING MR.
- 21 ANTONOVICH'S MOTION, UNTIL JUNE 21ST. AND I JUST WANT TO
- 22 REITERATE FOR EVERYONE WHO IS INVOLVED, DON'T READ THAT ON MY
- 23 PART TO BE CLOSING THE DOOR ON ANYTHING. ON THE CONTRARY. MY
- 24 MIND IS WIDE OPEN. I WOULD LIKE TO-- I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE
- 25 BEEN IN TO SEE MY STAFF OR-- I KNOW WE HAVEN'T TALKED



- 1 DIRECTLY. I'M HAPPY TO DO THAT AT SOME POINT IN THE NEXT
- 2 COUPLE OF MONTHS. I'D LIKE TO GET MORE FAMILIAR WITH THIS AND
- 3 I APOLOGIZE IF YOU HAVE TRIED AND WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO DO
- 4 THAT. I AM INTERESTED IN KNOWING YOUR SIDE OF IT IN MORE
- 5 DETAIL AND I AM INTERESTED IN GETTING THE QUESTIONS THAT MS.
- 6 BURKE AND OTHERS HAVE RAISED IRONED OUT DURING THIS INTERIM
- 7 PERIOD SO THAT, ON THE 21ST, OR WHENEVER WE GET AROUND TO THE
- 8 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS, THAT WE CAN MAKE AN INFORMED DECISION
- 9 WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY. I THINK THESE FOLKS DO A GREAT JOB, I
- 10 THINK WE ALL KNOW IT. WE'RE ALL, NO MATTER WHICH SIDE OF THE
- 11 ISSUE WE'RE ON, WE'RE ALL VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE LIFEGUARD
- 12 SERVICE AND I THINK WE ALL WANT TO DO WHAT'S BEST FOR THE
- 13 PUBLIC AND, OBVIOUSLY, DOING WHAT'S BEST FOR THE LIFEGUARDS IS
- 14 ALSO HELPS DOING WHAT'S BEST FOR THE PUBLIC, PROVIDED THAT
- 15 THERE'S NOT A CONFLICT, AND I'M HAPPY TO-- I'M INTERESTED IN
- 16 HEARING THE ARGUMENTS. I-- SO, MR. CHAIRMAN...

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- 18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WE WANT THAT TO COME BACK WITH DETAIL,
- 19 THOUGH, AS IT RELATES TO, I MEAN...

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21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ABSOLUTELY.

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- 23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ... THE ISSUES RAISED HERE TODAY BECAUSE
- 24 THERE'S A LOT OF WELL, MAYBE WE WILL, MAYBE WE WON'T.



- 1 SUP. ANTONOVICH: ALL RIGHT. THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT THE MOTION
- 2 IS ASKING...

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- 4 SUP. BURKE: I'M REALLY INTERESTED IN DO YOU ISOLATE THE POOL
- 5 LIFEGUARDS IN THIS SITUATION? AND HOW THIS WHOLE THING WORKS.
- 6 IS THERE ANY INNER-- TRANSFER BACK AND FORTH BETWEEN POOL
- 7 LIFEGUARDS AND LAKE LIFEGUARDS? NONE AT ALL?

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- 9 DERIK ELLERI: NO, MA'AM. WE WILL OCCASIONALLY-- WE RECRUIT
- 10 THEM WHEN WE'RE HIRING NEW PEOPLE. THEY'RE AMONG THE PEOPLE
- 11 THAT WE LOOK TO TO HIRE NEW LAKE LIFEGUARDS BUT IT'S KIND OF A
- 12 STEP UP FOR THEM.

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- 14 SUP. BURKE: YOU RECRUIT AND THEN A PERSON MOVES FROM A POOL
- 15 LIFEGUARD TO A LAKE LIFEGUARD, OR THEY MOVE OVER TO AN OCEAN
- 16 LIFEGUARD, OR-- BUT, NO. OCEAN RECRUITS SEPARATELY. RIGHT?

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18 **DERIK ELLERI:** CORRECT.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, POOL LIFEGUARDS ARE NOT LA COLA NOR
- 21 ARE THEY PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT, EITHER.

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23 SUP. BURKE: THEY ARE NOT OR THEY ARE?

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25 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THEY'RE NOT.

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IT SAYS WHAT?

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1 SUP. BURKE: THEY'RE NOT IN PUBLIC SAFETY RETIREMENT? 2 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO, NOT THE POOL. 4 5 DERIK ELLERI: NOT THE POOL LIFEGUARDS. THE LAKE LIFEGUARDS 6 7 ARE. 8 9 SUP. BURKE: OH, LAKE LIFEGUARDS ARE BUT POOL LIFEGUARDS ARE NOT. OKAY. 10 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: LAKE LIFEGUARDS ARE BUT POOL LIFEGUARDS ARE 12 13 NOT LA COLA MEMBERS. THEY'RE NOT PART OF THAT BARGAINING UNIT. 14 15 DERIK ELLERI: CORRECT. 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NOR ARE THEY SAFETY RETIREMENT.. 17 18 19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, I'M JUST REREADING MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION AND HE'S CORRECT, I DID NOT HEAR IT WHEN 20 21 HE READ IT. SO I THINK HIS MOTION IS, WITH THE TWO--22 23 SUP. MOLINA: IT SAYS IT ON THERE. 24



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    SUP. MOLINA: DID YOU READ IT?
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YEAH, I DID. I JUST DID.
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    SUP. MOLINA: OKAY. IT SAYS....
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: TWICE.
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    SUP. MOLINA: WELL, OKAY, THEN...
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IF THIS BOARD IS UNWILLING, THEN HE WANTS
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    THEM TO MEET WEEKLY. I WOULD TAKE WEEKLY OUT, JUST HAVE THEM
    MEET AS THE NEED ARISES.
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    SUP. MOLINA: BUT THIS IS ALMOST AFFIRMING THE TRANSFER. I'M
    NOT WILLING TO DO THAT. IT BASICALLY SAYS THAT. IT IS PUTTING
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    IT ON A TRACK. IT SAYS, "DEFINE THE CHALLENGES ASSOCIATED WITH
19
    A TRANSFER" AND THEN IT SAYS, "DETAIL A LIST OF THE ISSUES
    CONCERNING REGARD THE TRANSFER". I MEAN, IT'S AFFIRMING IT.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I DON'T-- I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. I
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    DON'T READ IT THAT WAY.
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: THE PROPOSED TRANSFER.
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2 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: BUT WHY DON'T YOU ADD A SENTENCE IN THERE

3 THAT SAYS THAT THIS IS NOT TO BE CONSTRUED...

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5 SUP. MOLINA: NO, I'M-- LET ME ADD SOME MORE TO IT.

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7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHATEVER. I DON'T CARE.

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- 9 SUP. MOLINA: LET ME ADD SOME MORE TO IT, INCLUDING THE BUDGET
- 10 ISSUES.

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12 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO GOOD DEED GOES UNPUNISHED.

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- 14 SUP. MOLINA: ALL RIGHT. ONE OF THE MOST TRYING ASPECTS OF THIS
- 15 ISSUE IS THAT THE FIRST PLACE THAT WE'RE GOING TO CUT, AS IT
- 16 COMES DOWN, IS GOING TO BE LIBRARIES AND PARKS.

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18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NOT NECESSARILY.

- 20 SUP. MOLINA: AND, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE MOST ESSENTIAL
- 21 RESOURCES TO A COMMUNITY AND IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THE
- 22 MOST ESSENTIAL RESOURCE IS SOME OF THESE AREAS. WE DON'T HAVE
- 23 ENOUGH MONEY IN OUR PARKS NOW. I MEAN-- AND THE REALITY IS,
- 24 I'M NOT LETTING ANY MONEY GO FROM THIS DEPARTMENT. NOT ONE
- 25 NICKEL. I DON'T MIND YOU TAKING IT UP, CHIEF, ON YOUR OWN, ON



- 1 YOUR NICKEL, THAT'S FINE WITH ME, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT MY
- 2 TAXPAYERS IN MY UNINCORPORATED AREA WHO PAY FOR FIRE SAFETY
- 3 ARE GOING TO PERMIT IT AS WELL. THERE ARE A LOT OF ISSUES. I'M
- 4 NOT WILLING TO AFFIRM THIS. WE HAVE A LOT OF ISSUES TO DISCUSS
- 5 WITH-- I UNDERSTAND IT'S A GREAT IDEA FOR THE BENEFICIARIES OF
- 6 IT ALL AND THERE ARE BENEFITS HERE, BUT NOT TO THE DEPARTMENT
- 7 OF REC AND PARKS AS YET AND SO I...

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SUP. BURKE: THE OTHER THING --

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- 11 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I WITHDRAW MY COMMENTS AND I WILL GO BACK TO
- 12 MY ORIGINAL SUBSTITUTE.

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- 14 SUP. BURKE: WELL, LET ME JUST SAY THAT ONE THING THAT'S
- 15 IMMEDIATELY...

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17 SUP. MOLINA: I THINK WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS FINE...

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19 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: EASY NOW, EASY. WAIT A MINUTE.

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21 SUP. MOLINA: LET IT GO TO BUDGET DELIBERATIONS EXCLUSIVELY.

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- 23 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. ONE AT A TIME. PEACE AND JOY, PEACE
- 24 AND JOY.



1 SUP. MOLINA: I JUST HAVEN'T FINISHED. I HADN'T FINISHED.

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3 SUP. BURKE: OH, I'M SORRY.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. YOU FINISHED NOW? NO? ARE YOU
- 6 FINISHED? GO AHEAD AND FINISH. SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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- 8 SUP. BURKE: THE PART THAT I -- THAT CONCERNS ME IS TO SAY THAT
- 9 YOU'RE GOING TO START HAVING PEOPLE MEET EVERY WEEK TO WORK
- 10 OUT DETAILS OF SOMETHING WHEN YOU HAVEN'T DECIDED IT.

11

- 12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, I THINK, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
- 13 WITHDREW HIS SUPPORT OF THE ORIGINAL MOTION AND BASICALLY -- [
- 14 COUGHING ] -- EXCUSE ME. I GET ALL CHOKED UP ABOUT THIS. THE
- 15 MOTION BEFORE US IS TO REFER THIS TO BUDGET DELIBERATIONS ON
- 16 JUNE 21ST. THERE WERE ISSUES RAISED HERE TODAY ABOUT POOL, TO
- 17 LOOK AT THE ISSUE AND THE OVERALL FINANCIAL ISSUES AND COME
- 18 BACK ON THE 21ST DURING BUDGET DELIBERATIONS. YOU KNOW,
- 19 WHATEVER DETAIL...

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- 21 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: TO GET THE DETAIL THAT WE NEED TO MAKE AN
- 22 INFORMED DECISION SO...

- 24 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND THEY ALL MEET AND COME BACK WITH THE
- 25 INFORMATION.



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    SUP. BURKE: WELL, LET ME ASK -- SEE, THE PART I'M OBJECTING TO
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    IS TO TELL THE PEOPLE TO GO OUT AND MEET EVERY WEEK.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WE DIDN'T SAY THAT.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THEY'RE NOT.
8
    SUP. BURKE: THAT'S WHAT IT SAYS.
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11
    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: BUT WE'RE NOT GOING TO APPROVE HIS MOTION
12
    TODAY.
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14
    SUP. MOLINA: WE'RE NOT ADOPTING IT.
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16
    SUP. BURKE: IT'S OFF THE TABLE?
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18
    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YEAH.
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22
    SUP. BURKE: I THOUGHT HE SAID HE JUST ADOPTED IT.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: NO, I'VE TRIED.
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1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I'VE SAID HE WILL APPROVE IT.

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- 3 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AT THE END OF THE DAY-- JUST SO THE RECORD
- 4 IS CLEAR, I MIGHT AS WELL GET ANAL ABOUT THIS LIKE EVERYBODY
- 5 ELSE. I ACTUALLY SAID THERE WERE TWO CHANGES I WANTED TO MAKE
- 6 TO MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION. ONE IS TO TAKE OUT THE EVERY WEEK
- 7 MEETING AND THE OTHER WAS TO CHANGE THE DATE BECAUSE I THINK
- 8 MEETING EVERY WEEK IS TOO MUCH. BUT WE DON'T NEED TO DO THAT.
- 9 WE CAN JUST DEFER THE MOTION UNTIL LATER, HAVE THEM MEET ON AN
- 10 AS-NEEDED BASIS TO ANSWER THE QUESTIONS THAT WE'VE RAISED. MR.
- 11 ANTONOVICH HAS JOINED THE ISSUE SO THAT WE CAN MAKE AN
- 12 INFORMED DECISION IN JUNE. I THINK THAT ACCOMPLISHES THE SAME
- 13 END WITHOUT GETTING EVERYBODY UPSET.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I THINK NOT JUST, YOU KNOW, THE TRANSFER OF
- 16 THE COST OF GOING TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT; I THINK --

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18 SUP. BURKE: WHY?!

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WAIT A MINUTE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA RAISED AN
- 21 ISSUE. THE COST OF IT LEAVING THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND
- 22 RECREATION. THAT'S ANOTHER ISSUE. AND THOSE ALL HAVE TO BE
- 23 ADDRESSED.



- 1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: THERE ARE REALLY TWO ISSUES, MR. CHAIRMAN,
- 2 AS I SEE IT. ONE IS THE COST AND TWO IS THE MERITS OF THE
- 3 MOVE. AND I THINK THEY MAY BE IN REVERSE ORDER. NUMBER ONE,
- 4 THERE OUGHT TO BE A REASON TO MAKE THE MOVE, ASSUMING THE
- 5 COSTS ARE TAKEN CARE OF, AND I'D LIKE TO HAVE EVERYBODY WEIGH
- 6 IN ON THAT. AND, SECONDLY, WHAT IS THE COST IMPLICATION AND
- 7 THEN YOU CAN MAKE A COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS, THAT'S ALL.

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9 SUP. MOLINA: IT HAS NOT BEEN CLEAR TO ME...

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- 11 SUP. ANTONOVICH: BUT THE MONEY FOR THE LIFEGUARDS, IF IT WAS
- 12 IN-- REMAINED IN THE DEPARTMENT OR GOES TO THE FIRE
- 13 DEPARTMENT, IT'S THE SAME AMOUNT OF DOLLARS WE'RE TALKING
- 14 ABOUT.

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- 16 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, THAT'S THE QUESTION, MIKE. WE DON'T
- 17 KNOW.

- 19 SUP. BURKE: BUT ARE THE DUTIES TRANSFERRED? SEE, THAT'S THE
- 20 THING. IS IF THEY BECOME UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE FIRE
- 21 DEPARTMENT AND THE PERSON FROM PARKS SAYS, "I NEED SOMEONE
- 22 HELPING ME IN THIS PARK TO TAKE CARE OF A CRISIS I HAVE,"
- 23 THEY'RE NOT ANSWERING TO THE PARK DEPARTMENT; THEY ANSWER TO A
- 24 FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSON WHO HAS TO COME IN AND TELL THEM, "YES,
- 25 WE WANT YOU TO DO THAT OR NOT DO THAT." THEIR WHOLE DUTIES



- 1 CHANGE, AS I UNDERSTAND IT. NOW, I'M NOT-- I'M SURE THEY DON'T
- 2 FEEL LIKE THEY SHOULD BE CHANGING TOILET PAPER. YOU KNOW, I
- 3 MEAN, I UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT I ALSO RECOGNIZE THAT USUALLY THE
- 4 PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE PARK SYSTEM RESPOND TO A NUMBER OF
- 5 ISSUES AND ALSO PARTICIPATE IN TERMS OF THOSE PARK RECREATION
- 6 ISSUES AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE
- 7 PARKS DEPARTMENT AND THAT'S WHAT REALLY CONCERNS ME IN SOME OF
- 8 THOSE AREAS. [ INAUDIBLE CHATTER ] AND THAT'S THE MONEY ISSUE.
- 9 THE MONEY DOES NOT RESOLVE IN TERMS OF THEIR SALARIES.

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- 11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, BUT THAT'S ALL THAT-- ALL THOSE
- 12 THINGS ARE THE ONES...

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- 14 SUP. BURKE: IT RELATES TO THE OTHER DUTIES AND THOSE THINGS
- 15 NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. NOW, IF THEY LEAVE ALL THE MONEY FOR ALL
- 16 THOSE OTHER DUTIES, THEN THAT'S A DIFFERENT ISSUE, OR SOME OF
- 17 THE PEOPLE REMAIN WHO WOULD PERFORM THOSE DUTIES. BECAUSE
- 18 THEY'VE SAID THEIR STAFF PEOPLE ARE HERE AS WELL, RIGHT?

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- 20 DERIK ELLISON[?]: PARDON ME? I DON'T THINK-- I DON'T
- 21 UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION.

- 23 SUP. BURKE: ALL RIGHT. SOME OF THE STAFF PEOPLE THAT ARE
- 24 JOINING THEM HERE TODAY, I UNDERSTAND, ARE NOT JUST THE
- 25 LIFEGUARDS, THEY'RE SOME OF STAFF PEOPLE FOR THE LIFEGUARDS.

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1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. I THINK WE UNDERSTAND WHAT THE ISSUES 2 3 NEED TO BE ADDRESSED, IT'S COMING BACK TO US ON JUNE 21ST... 4 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DO YOU WANT ME TO CLARIFY IT? 6 7 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO, I DON'T WANT YOU TO CLARIFY IT, 8 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ] 9 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, THE 11 CHAIR WILL SECOND. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU'RE GOING TO SUPPORT THAT? 12 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: RIGHT AND THAT INCLUDES THE FIRES, THE 14 15 PARKS... 16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH, BUT NOT NECESSARILY A WEEKLY MEETING. 17 18 WE JUST WANT THE ANSWERS. 19 20 SUP. ANTONOVICH: NO. ON A REGULAR BASIS SO THEY GET THAT 21 INFORMATION AND THE LIFEGUARDS... 22 23 SUP. MOLINA: BUT UNDERSTAND, NO MONEY IS LEAVING THE 24 DEPARTMENT.

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1 SUP. BURKE: THEY SHOULD MEET EVERY WEEK TO WORK OUT...

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- 3 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WELL, AT LEAST-- YES. OKAY. WITHOUT
- 4 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR
- 5 COMING DOWN. NEXT WE HAVE ITEM NUMBER 13. SUPERVISOR BURKE
- 6 HELD THAT ITEM. I HELD IT AS WELL. A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS
- 7 HELD IT.

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- 9 SUP. BURKE: LET'S HEAR FROM THEM FIRST AND THEN I HAVE A FEW
- 10 QUESTIONS. SOME OF MY QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN CLARIFIED BUT I
- 11 STILL HAVE SOME QUESTIONS.

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13 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHICH ITEM IS THIS?

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15 **SUP. BURKE:** 13.

- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. ASK TYLER AND IS SOMEBODY FROM THE
- 18 C.I.O. HERE AS WELL? I THINK WE NEED TO BEGIN WITH, ONE, YOUR
- 19 PRESENTATION AND ON, YOU KNOW, WHY YOU'RE RECOMMENDING
- 20 APPROVAL OF THIS. OBVIOUSLY, YOU KNOW OF MY CONCERNS ABOUT
- 21 THIS AND, YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT NEEDS FOR MY
- 22 EDIFICATION AS WELL IS THIS-- IT'S BASICALLY A 17.3 MILLION
- 23 SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT. IT WILL BE AN AWARD AND IS THIS PRUDENT
- 24 AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME AND I HAVE A NUMBER OF OTHER QUESTIONS



- 1 BUT WE WILL LET TYLER AND ANYONE FROM THE C.I.O., JUST
- 2 IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD AND PROCEED.

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- 4 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: MY NAME IS TYLER MCCAULEY, THE AUDITOR-
- 5 CONTROLLER. WITH ME FROM THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS BOB DAVIS,
- 6 CHIEF OF FIRE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT DIVISION.

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- 8 JONATHAN WILLIAMS: AND I'M JONATHAN WILLIAMS WITH THE CHIEF
- 9 INFORMATION OFFICE.

- 11 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: MR. CHAIR, IF I COULD JUST MAKE A OPENING
- 12 STATEMENT, VERY SHORT. AS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, I NEED TO
- 13 TELL YOU THAT THERE ARE INCREASING RISKS RELATED TO CONTINUING
- 14 WITH THE COUNTY'S ACCOUNTING AND DISBURSEMENT SYSTEM, WHICH WE
- 15 CALL C.A.P.S., THAT ARE ALREADY CAUSING OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS
- 16 AND MAY CAUSE PROBLEMS-- THE SYSTEM TO FAIL IN A MANNER THAT
- 17 COULD CAUSE SIGNIFICANT COSTS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING CONTROL
- 18 PROBLEMS. THIS SYSTEM WAS IMPLEMENTED IN JULY OF 1988, OVER 16
- 19 YEARS, ALMOST 17 YEARS AGO. MANY OF THE DISBURSEMENT SYSTEMS
- 20 THAT ARE RUN BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO ISSUE THE CHECKS AND
- 21 SO FORTH WERE PUT IN 20 TO 30 YEARS AGO. WE ONLY HAVE A COUPLE
- 22 OF STAFF, REALLY, ONE, WHO HAS THE KNOWLEDGE TO MAKE
- 23 ALTERATIONS, TO FIX PROBLEMS IF SUCH PROBLEMS OCCUR AND, IF
- 24 THESE PROBLEMS OCCUR, IT WOULD CAUSE A DELAY IN THE COUNTY FOR
- 25 NUMBERS, DISBURSEMENTS WOULD BE DELAYED AND WE WOULD HAVE



- 1 BUDGETARY DIFFICULTIES TRYING TO FIND OUT WHAT WE WERE. I
- 2 ASKED D.N.A. AND E.M.S., WHO IS OUR EXISTING CONTRACTOR AND
- 3 HAS, SINCE '88, HAVE A VERY LIMITED NUMBER OF STAFF WHO CAN
- 4 WORK ON THEIR OLD SYSTEM. THEY'RE IN THE SAME POSITION WE ARE.
- 5 THE RISK OF FAILURE OF OUR SYSTEMS' INABILITY TO HANDLE
- 6 OPERATIONALLY REQUIRED OR MANDATED CHANGES IS INCREASING. JUST
- 7 THIS LAST WEEK, WE FOUND THAT WE COULD NOT ADD 300 WELFARE
- 8 CLIENTS WHO WANTED TO GO ON DIRECT DEPOSIT BECAUSE THEIR BANK
- 9 HAD REQUIRED A 17-DIGIT IDENTIFICATION CODE AND OUR C.A.P.S.
- 10 SYSTEM COULD ONLY HANDLE 15 DIGITS. IT WAS HARDWIRED THAT WAY.
- 11 WE ARE BRINGING UP CHILD SUPPORT CLIENTS ON TO DIRECT DEPOSIT
- 12 THIS YEAR AND WE WILL LIKELY FIND THIS PROBLEM THE SAME. WE
- 13 MAY NOT BE ABLE TO FIND A WAY AROUND THIS PROBLEM BUT, EVEN IF
- 14 WE COULD, IT COULD TAKE A COUPLE OF MONTHS TO IMPLEMENT. A FEW
- 15 YEARS BACK, WE COULD NOT INTERFACE, OR AT LEAST FULLY, WITH
- 16 I.S.D.'S PURCHASING SYSTEM CALLED KEYMAS, DUE TO OUR OLD
- 17 SYSTEM. THAT CONDITION REMAINS TODAY AND IT HAS HAD A DELAY
- 18 IN-- DELAYS THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING PROCESSES. THESE TYPES OF
- 19 PROBLEMS WILL BECOME INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT TO HANDLE WITH A--
- 20 AS TIME GOES BY, AND MAY SIGNIFICANTLY DELAY ACCOUNTING, CHECK
- 21 WRITING, ENSURE MONEY IS AVAILABLE TO PAY BILLS OR, WORSE, IF
- 22 THE SYSTEM FAILS. ALSO, MAKING ANY CHANGES TO THE C.A.P.S.
- 23 SYSTEM REQUIRES MAKING CHANGES TO MANY OTHER AREAS OF
- 24 C.A.P.S., ADDING TO THE RISKS OF UNFORESEEN FAILURE,
- 25 PARTICULARLY IF WE LOSE THE FEW EXPERT STAFF WE NOW HAVE.

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- 1 ALSO, THERE IS AN INCREASING PRESSURE FROM OUR DEPARTMENTS
- 2 THAT WANT TO IMPLEMENT SYSTEMS FOR THE THINGS THAT THEY SAY
- 3 THE C.A.P.S. CANNOT MOVE FOR THEM BUT OUR E-C.A.P.S. SYSTEM
- 4 WOULD. IF WE IMPLEMENT THE UPGRADE FOR C.A.P.S., WHICH WE HAVE
- 5 CALLED E-C.A.P.S., BECAUSE IT IS WEB-BASED, USING E.M.S.'
- 6 SYSTEM, WE CAN, IN 15 MONTHS, ELIMINATE ALL THESE SERIOUS
- 7 RISKS. THE A.M.S. ADVANTAGE THREE-PART SYSTEM IS THE BEST OF
- 8 ALL THE SYSTEMS WE HAVE REVIEWED. IT IS A SYSTEM MADE FOR
- 9 GOVERNMENT APPLICATIONS. OUR SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS, THOSE ARE
- 10 ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENT EXPERTS, ALL AGREE THAT IT IS EQUAL TO
- OR MUCH BETTER THAN THE PEOPLESOFT PRODUCT AND THE OTHER HIGH
- 12 LEVEL SYSTEMS WE HAVE REVIEWED. THE COST IS MUCH SMALLER DUE
- 13 TO A-- IN PART, TO IMPLEMENT A SMALLER SCOPE UPGRADE PROJECT.
- 14 BUT THE COST PER HOUR OF A.M.S. IS ALSO MUCH SMALLER, 20%
- 15 SMALLER, AND THE UPGRADE WOULD REQUIRE FEWER STAFF TO PUT IT
- 16 IN DUE TO THE SMALLER SCOPE. E.M.S.' SYSTEM CAN BE
- 17 IMPLEMENTED, AS I INDICATED EARLIER, IN 15 MONTHS AND
- 18 ELIMINATE WHAT I CONSIDER TO BE VERY SERIOUS PROBLEMS IN OUR
- 19 COUNTY-- FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU, SIR.

21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. JUST A COMMENT-- BUT IT WASN'T

- 22 JUDGED THE BEST JUST A FEW MONTHS AGO. IS THAT CORRECT?
- 24 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: WHEN WE STARTED THIS PROCESS IN APRIL OF
- 25 '02, THE A.M.S. PRODUCT DID NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS, THEY



- 1 DID NOT HAVE THEIR WEB-BASED PRODUCT AVAILABLE. WHEN WE WERE
- 2 WORKING TOWARDS THE SOLUTION AND PICKED PEOPLESOFT AND THEN
- 3 THE PEOPLESOFT GOT INTO THE ORACLE HOSTILE TAKEOVER, A LOT OF
- 4 MONTHS PASSED. IN SEPTEMBER, ABOUT THREE AND JUST MEETING WITH
- 5 THE NEW MARKETING REPRESENTATIVE FROM A.M.S., HE INDICATED-- I
- 6 ASKED HIM HOW HIS E.R.P. SYSTEM WAS COMING. HE INDICATED THAT
- 7 IT WAS UP AND RUNNING NOW, BOTH THE FINANCIAL AND H.R. SIDE.
- 8 THIS WAS NEWS TO US AND SO WE TOOK-- WE REPORTED IT TO YOUR
- 9 BOARD THAT WE WERE-- WE WERE NOT MOVING FORWARD WITH
- 10 PEOPLESOFT NEGOTIATION AT THE TIME AND THAT WE WERE GOING TO
- 11 LOOK AT THE S.A.P. AND WE DID, AGAIN, BECAUSE THEY WERE THE
- 12 SECOND PLACE -- IN SECOND PLACE AT THAT TIME AND THAT WE WERE
- 13 GOING TO LOOK AT OTHER SYSTEMS. WE POINTED OUT THE A.M.S.
- 14 SYSTEM BECAUSE IT LOOKED LIKE IT WAS MUCH MORE GOVERNMENT IN
- 15 NATURE AND IT ALSO LOOKED LIKE, AT THE TIME, IT WOULD BE TENS
- 16 OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS CHEAPER. SO...

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: 18 MONTHS AGO, THEY DIDN'T HAVE THIS.

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20 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: PARDON ME?

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- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: 18 MONTHS AGO, THEY DID NOT HAVE THIS
- 23 PROGRAM?



- 1 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THEY DID NOT HAVE IT IN THE LOCAL
- 2 GOVERNMENT SECTOR. THEY'D BEEN WORKING IN THE FEDERAL SECTOR
- 3 FOR A LONG TIME WITH A SIMILAR PRODUCT BUT NOT THE SAME
- 4 PRODUCT, SIR.

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- 6 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO WE'RE NOT THE GUINEA PIGS FOR THIS
- 7 PROGRAM?

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- 9 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: NO. THERE'S A NUMBER OF CITIES AND
- 10 COUNTIES. THE BIGGEST ONE THAT'S COMING UP THAT'S MORE LIKE US
- 11 IS THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS. THEY ARE NOT PUTTING UP THE
- 12 PURCHASING PIECE, THAT WAS THEIR DECISION, BUT THEY ARE
- 13 PUTTING UP OTHERS AND THERE ARE OTHER STATES THAT ARE IN THE
- 14 PROCESS OF PUTTING UP. THIS-- THIS JULY, THERE'S SIX OR EIGHT
- 15 ORGANIZATIONS, ENTITIES THAT ARE GOING TO PUT IN THE-- BEGIN
- 16 PUTTING IN THE A.M.S. PRODUCT.

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18 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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- 20 SUP. BURKE: THE SOLE SOURCE DETERMINATION, WAS THAT-- DID THE
- 21 COUNTY COUNSEL PUT TOGETHER THAT SOLE SOURCE EVALUATION?

- 23 RON FORTNER: MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR BURKE, WE HAVE REVIEWED
- 24 THE ISSUE OF SOLE SOURCE ACQUISITION FOR COMPETITIVE -- RATHER
- 25 THAN COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND THERE BEING NO STATUTORY



- 1 REQUIREMENT FOR COMPETITIVE BIDDING IN A PROCUREMENT SUCH AS
- 2 LIKE THIS-- SUCH AS THIS, THERE IS NO LEGAL BAR TO THE BOARD
- 3 PROCEEDING ON A SOLE SOURCE BASIS AFTER THESE NEGOTIATIONS HAD
- 4 BEEN CONCLUDED.

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6 SUP. BURKE: DID YOU PREPARE THE ORIGINAL MEMO?

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8 RAY FORTNER: I'M SORRY?

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10 SUP. BURKE: DID YOU PREPARE THE MEMO ON SOLE SOURCE?

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- 12 RAY FORTNER: I DID NOT. I'M NOT SURE WHAT MEMO YOU'RE
- 13 REFERRING TO.

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- 15 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLERS, SUPERVISOR BURKE,
- 16 PUT TOGETHER A LIST OF ALL OF THE ITEMS THAT WE FELT THAT WE
- 17 QUALIFIED AND THAT INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED TO THE LAWYERS
- 18 THAT WORKED ON THIS.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: HAS COUNTY COUNSEL EVER RESPONDED TO YOUR
- 21 MEMO?

- 23 RAY FORTNER: NO, THERE HASN'T BEEN-- THEY PARTICIPATED IN THE
- 24 DISCUSSION, OF WHICH WE LOOKED AT IT FROM A BUSINESS
- 25 PERSPECTIVE. AS WAS SAID, THERE WAS NO LEGAL IMPEDIMENT TO IT



- 1 BUT WE PRESENTED THE CASE AND I BELIEVE THERE'S STRONG
- 2 RATIONALE FROM A BUSINESS PERSPECTIVE ON ALL THAT WHY WE DO
- 3 IT.

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5 SUP. BURKE: IT'S BASICALLY FROM A BUSINESS PERSPECTIVE?

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7 RAY FORTNER: YES.

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9 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: YES, IT IS, SUPERVISOR.

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- 11 SUP. BURKE: AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL HAS DETERMINED THAT,
- 12 LEGALLY, WE ARE GOING TO BE PROTECTED ON IT?

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14 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: YES, THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

- 16 SUP. BURKE: I REALLY WANT TO GET SOME REAL UNDERSTANDING OF--
- 17 ORIGINALLY, WHEN WE PUT TOGETHER A SET OF FUNCTIONS, AND I'M
- 18 NOT AN EXPERT IN THIS AND DON'T CLAIM TO BE. HOWEVER, USUALLY
- 19 THESE GO THROUGH OUR DATA PROCESSING COMMISSION AND THEY CAN
- 20 LOOK AT THESE DETAILS A LOT BETTER THAN SOME OF US CAN. I
- 21 UNDERSTAND THAT THEY HAVE NOT HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT
- 22 ALL OF THESE THINGS AND, WHATEVER WE DO, I THINK THAT THIS--
- 23 THAT THEY SHOULD LOOK AT IT SO, EVEN IF IT'S AFTER THE FACT,
- 24 WE KNOW EXACTLY WHAT PROBLEMS WE HAVE BEFORE WE GO INTO IT AND
- 25 ALSO WE UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE DOING. FOR INSTANCE, WE



- 1 HAD SOME FUNCTIONAL SPECIFICATIONS AND IT WAS THOSE FUNCTIONAL
- 2 SPECIFICATIONS, IS MY UNDERSTANDING, THAT A.M.S. DID NOT MEET.
- 3 NOW, ON THE FINANCE ASPECT OF THIS PROCUREMENT, DID THEY MEET
- 4 ALL OF THOSE AT THE TIME WE HAD THE ORIGINAL EVALUATION?

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6 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THEY-- GO AHEAD, PAUL.

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- 8 PAUL: YES. WHEN THE ORIGINAL LAKUS[?] RESPONSES CAME IN, IT
- 9 WASN'T A QUESTION OF FUNCTIONAL REVIEW FROM THE A.M.S.
- 10 PRODUCT. THERE WERE SOME SHORTFALLS, AS MR. MCCAULEY
- 11 MENTIONED, IN TERMS OF THE WEB-BASED VERSION, AND THAT WAS
- 12 STILL IN A BETA VERSION BUT, FUNCTIONALLY, THEY RESPONDED TO
- 13 THE RESPONSE AND WHEN THE PROPOSAL YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU
- 14 HERE, WE PUT THEM THROUGH THE SAME REQUIREMENTS, AND THAT IS
- 15 WHAT THEY USED AS A BASIS FOR DEVELOPING THOSE, THOSE SAME
- 16 FUNCTIONAL AND TECHNICAL REVIEW TO DO THAT. WHEN THEY WERE
- 17 FOUND NONRESPONSIVE TO THE LAKUS, IT WAS A PIECE THAT IT WAS
- 18 INCOMPLETE IN THAT THEY DIDN'T PROVIDE US A COST FOR THE H.R.
- 19 SIDE. WHEN YOU GO BACK TO THE DOCUMENTS OF WHY WE KICKED THEM
- 20 OUT, THEY WERE NONRESPONSIVE FOR AN INCOMPLETE RESPONSE ON THE
- 21 H.R. SIDE BUT NOT ON THE FINANCIAL.

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- 23 SUP. BURKE: AND WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE IS ONLY THE FINANCIAL
- 24 AND NOT THE H.R.?



1 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

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- 3 SUP. BURKE: IF WE DECIDE TO GO TO THE H.R., THEN WHAT IS THE
- 4 NEXT PROCESS? WHAT DO WE DO?

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- 6 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: WE HAVE LOOKED AT THEIR H.R., AS WE DID
- 7 WITH THE OTHER SYSTEMS. FRANKLY, NONE OF THE SYSTEMS WILL
- 8 PROBABLY MEET THE COUNTY'S H.R. WITHOUT SOME LARGE CHANGES TO
- 9 THEM, BUT THAT WOULD BE TRUE OF PEOPLESOFT AND S.A.P. AS IT
- 10 WAS WITH A.M.S. BUT THEY WERE PUT THROUGH, AS BOB SAID, THE
- 11 SAME SCRIPTS. THEY WERE LOOKED AT WITH THE SAME DETAIL AS WE
- 12 DID THE OTHER ENTITIES -- I MEAN, COMPANIES WE VIEWED AND THEY
- 13 PASSED. IN FACT, THE COUNTY'S EXPERTS SAID THAT THEY ARE
- 14 BETTER IN MANY OF THE AREAS.

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- 16 SUP. BURKE: AND-- BUT THIS WEB-- AND THE WEB-BASED IS, AS I
- 17 UNDERSTAND IT, NOW THE DIFFERENCE?

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19 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: YES.

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21 SUP. BURKE: AND THAT THEY NOW HAVE A WEB-BASED TECHNOLOGY?

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23 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THAT'S CORRECT.



- 1 SUP. BURKE: AND THAT IS GOING TO GO INTO MASSACHUSETTS? IS IT
- 2 GOING-- PRESENTLY, IS THAT WEB- BASED BEING USED ANY PLACE
- 3 ELSE THAT WE CAN LOOK AT LATER AND FIND OUT WHETHER OR NOT
- 4 IT'S WORKING WELL?

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- 6 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THERE ARE-- THERE ARE SIX SITES THAT ARE
- 7 CURRENTLY LIVE WITH THAT.

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9 SUP. BURKE: THAT ARE LIVE.

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- 11 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THAT ARE LIVE. WE ATTENDED THEIR ANNUAL
- 12 CONFERENCE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO AND SPOKE WITH THE SITES THAT
- 13 HAVE PUT IT UP SO, WE'VE TALKED WITH PEOPLE THAT HAVE PUT UP
- 14 THE WEB-BASED PRODUCT. WE VISITED PRINCE WILLIAMS SCHOOL
- 15 DISTRICT, MUCH SMALLER THAN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, OBVIOUSLY...

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17 **SUP. BURKE:** LIKE, HOW BIG?

- 19 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THEY HAVE ABOUT 6,500 EMPLOYEES BUT WHAT
- 20 WAS INTERESTING TO US ABOUT PRINCE WILLIAMS SCHOOL DISTRICT IS
- 21 THEY HAVE 120 SITES, SO IT'S A VERY DISTRIBUTED SITE WHERE
- 22 THEY HAVE MULTIPLE LOCATIONS AND THEY'VE IMPLEMENTED THE WEB-
- 23 BASED PIECE, PLUS THEY WERE THE BETA SITE FOR THE H.R.
- 24 COMPONENT, WHICH IS OUT THERE NOW, THAT WE HAVEN'T BEEN



- 1 PURSUING. SO THEY HAVE BOTH THE FINANCIAL AND THE H.R. PRODUCT
- 2 AT PRINCE WILLIAMS AND...

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WHO HAS THAT? PRINCE WILLIAMS?

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6 JONATHON WILLIAMS: PRINCE WILLIAMS SCHOOL DISTRICT.

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8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO. I MEAN WHO HAS IT, A.M.S.?

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10 JONATHON WILLIAMS: A.M.S., YES

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12 SUP. BURKE: AND THERE ARE FIVE OTHERS?

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- 14 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THERE ARE FIVE OTHERS THAT ARE LIVE. THERE
- 15 ARE SIX ADDITIONAL ONES THAT ARE GOING LIVE THIS JULY 1ST, THE
- 16 BIGGEST ONE BEING THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS. THEY'RE
- 17 SCHEDULED TO START THE END OF MAY OF LOADING DATA AND THEY'RE
- 18 ON TRACK TO GO LIVE JULY 1ST.

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20 SUP. BURKE: AND THAT'S THE WEB-BASED FINANCIAL.

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22 JONATHON WILLIAMS: YES.

- 24 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: AND THAT'S A SIX-- THEY HAVE ABOUT SIX--
- 25 HOW MANY THOUSAND EMPLOYEES? 60?



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2 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THEY HAVE 70,000 EMPLOYEES AND A 23-

3 BILLION-DOLLAR BUDGET. IT'S A STATEWIDE IMPLEMENTATION.

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- 5 SUP. BURKE: NOW, IF THE SYSTEM IS NOT IN PLACE BY JULY 1ST,
- 6 2005, WHAT ARE OUR OPTIONS AND WHAT WILL IT COST US?

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- 8 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: SUPERVISOR, WE WOULD HAVE TO CONTINUE WITH
- 9 THE EXISTING SYSTEM AND THE RISKS THAT GO WITH IT AND, AS I
- 10 INDICATED, WE ARE CONTINUING TO SEE-- STARTING TO SEE MORE AND
- 11 MORE OF THE CRACKS IN THE SYSTEM. OUR BIGGEST WORRY IS I HAVE
- 12 ONLY ONE PERSON THAT REALLY KNOWS HOW TO WORK ON IT, AND WE
- 13 ARE VERY-- IT WORRIES ME ALL THE TIME THAT WERE IT-- IF
- 14 SOMETHING COME UP OR A STATE MANDATE WOULD COME UP. FOR
- 15 EXAMPLE, THE STATE MANDATE ON DIRECT DEPOSIT CAME UP A COUPLE
- 16 YEARS BACK. WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF A.M.S., WE WERE ABLE TO
- 17 VERY CAREFULLY CRACK OPEN WHAT WE HAD AND PUT IN THE DIRECT
- 18 DEPOSIT REQUIREMENT FOR THE WELFARE RECIPIENTS BUT, WHEN YOU
- 19 OPEN IT UP IS WHEN YOU'RE IN DANGER OF CREATING 10 OTHER
- 20 PROBLEMS. OUR SYSTEM HAS BEEN SO MODIFIED SINCE 1988, IT IS
- 21 EXTREMELY HARD TO WORK ON.

- 23 SUP. BURKE: NOW, WHAT IN THE CONTRACT ASSURES US OR PROVIDES
- 24 SOME KIND OF FUNDS FOR US OR-- IF IT'S NOT AVAILABLE JULY 1ST,



1 2005? AND EXPLAIN TO ME THIS 150% LIABILITY. WHAT DOES THAT

2 RELATE TO? DOES THAT RELATE TO THE START-UP DATE?

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- 4 JONATHON WILLIAMS: PARTIALLY. THERE ARE SEVERAL SAFEGUARDS IN
- 5 THE CONTRACT AND ONE OF THE KEY ONES THAT WE DID IS WE PUT IN
- 6 THE AGREEMENT FIVE KEY MILESTONE POINTS SO THAT, IF THE -- IF
- 7 A.M.S. DOESN'T MEET THOSE MILESTONES AND THEY'RE THINGS LIKE
- 8 COMPLETING THE CHART OF ACCOUNTS BY A CERTAIN DATE, MAKING
- 9 SURE THE TRAINING MATERIALS ARE READY BY A CERTAIN DATE AND
- 10 THE FIFTH ONE, THE LAST ONE, IS THE GO LIVE DATE OF JULY 2005,
- 11 THAT THERE ARE PENALTIES ASSOCIATED AT \$5,000 A DAY UP TO 30
- 12 DAYS, SO THERE'S \$150,000. AT THAT POINT, WE WOULD THEN, IF WE
- 13 STILL HAVE A PROBLEM, WE HAVE ALL THE-- THAT'S WHERE THE 150%
- 14 LIMITATION ON LIABILITY KICKS IN. THAT'S A 19-MILLION-DOLLAR
- 15 LIABILITY CAP, IT'S A CAP, BUT IT WOULD BE THAT WE COULD GO
- 16 AFTER THEM FOR DAMAGES DUE TO THEIR NONPERFORMANCE ON THE
- 17 CONTRACT. SO THERE ARE PERFORMANCE...

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- 19 SUP. BURKE: SO JULY 1ST-- LET ME UNDERSTAND THAT. AS TO EACH
- 20 ONE OF THE-- ON THE TIMETABLES, EACH ONE OF THOSE, IT'S 5,000
- 21 A DAY AS TO THAT TIMETABLE?

- 23 JONATHON WILLIAMS: AT THAT SPECIFIC MILESTONE. THEY GET A 10-
- 24 DAY GRACE PERIOD THEN, AFTER THAT, THE 5,000 KICKS IN FOR 30
- 25 DAYS, YES.



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2 SUP. BURKE: BUT IF, ON JULY 1ST IT'S NOT LIVE, WHAT IS THE

3 ACTUAL LIQUIDATED DAMAGE?

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- 5 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THERE'S NOT A SPECIFIC-- THERE'S NOT ONE
- 6 SPECIFIED. WE WILL BE-- WE ALSO HAVE A 15% HOLDBACK ON ANY
- 7 PAYMENTS, AND THAT 15% HOLDBACK COMES-- FOR THE LIFE OF THE
- 8 CONTRACT COMES TO \$1.3 MILLION.

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- 10 SUP. BURKE: BUT NOW WHAT HE SAYS IS THAT IF IT'S NOT LIVE ON
- 11 JULY 1ST, WE CAN'T GO LIVE UNTIL A YEAR LATER, IS THAT
- 12 CORRECT?

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- 14 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO IMPLEMENT ONE OF
- 15 THESE SYSTEMS OTHER THAN ON THE BEGINNING OF THE FISCAL YEAR.
- 16 I WOULD NOT...

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- 18 SUP. BURKE: NOW, SO THAT MEANS IT WILL BE ONE YEAR THAT IT
- 19 CANNOT GO LIVE. HOW ARE WE COMPENSATED FOR THAT YEAR IF THAT
- 20 HAPPENS?

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- 22 JONATHON WILLIAMS: WE'RE NOT SPECIFICALLY COMPENSATED FOR THAT
- 23 OTHER THAN THAT DELAY AND ANYTHING WE GO AFTER THEM UNDER THE
- 24 LIMITATION ON LIABILITY.



- 1 JOHN GEIGER: MADAM SUPERVISOR, IF I MAY, JOHN GEIGER WITH THE
- 2 COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE. I'M THE DEPUTY...

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: PULL THAT MIKE OVER.

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- 6 JOHN GEIGER: ...APPROVED THE CONTRACT AS TO FORM. THE
- 7 LIQUIDATED DAMAGE CLAUSE IN OUR CONTRACTS, AS IS TYPICAL WITH
- 8 OUR I.T. CONTRACTS, IS FOR DELAY OF MILESTONES. IT IS NOT AN
- 9 ELECTION OF REMEDY. IF A CONTRACT REACHES A POINT THAT WE'RE
- 10 BEYOND DELAY, THEN OUR REGULAR REMEDIES OUTLAW KICK IN. SO, IF
- 11 WE HAVE COVER COSTS OF HAVING TO BRING UP A NEW SYSTEM, FOR
- 12 EXAMPLE, THAT IS A DAMAGE WHICH WE WOULD BE WITHIN OUR RIGHTS
- 13 TO TRY TO RECOVER.

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- 15 SUP. BURKE: VERY SPECIFICALLY TELL ME THIS: ON JULY 1ST, 2005,
- 16 IF IT IS NOT LIVE, WHAT DO YOU ESTIMATE OUR DAMAGES WILL BE?
- 17 AND WHAT WILL BE OUR REMEDY?

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- 19 JOHN GEIGER: I CAN TELL YOU CATEGORICALLY WHERE OUR RECOVERIES
- 20 WOULD COME FROM. AS TO THE ACTUAL NUMBERS, THAT'S AN INTERNAL
- 21 DEPARTMENT NUMBER BUT IT WOULD BE LIQUIDATED THE DAMAGES THAT
- 22 HAVE ACCRUED FOR THE DELAY OF THAT KEY DELIVERABLE AND THEN
- 23 OUR...

24

25 **SUP. BURKE:** IS THAT 5,000 A DAY?



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- 2 JOHN GEIGER: 5,000 A DAY FOR THE 30-DAY PERIOD. PLUS, IF THE
- 3 DEPARTMENT WERE THEN TO ELECT TO PULL THE PLUG ON THIS SYSTEM
- 4 AND BRING UP SOME ALTERNATIVE SYSTEM, EITHER AN ELECTRONIC
- 5 SYSTEM...

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- 7 SUP. BURKE: YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT MAYBE \$600,000 FOR THAT WHOLE
- 8 YEAR, RIGHT?

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO, FOR 30 DAYS. YOU'RE ONLY TALKING
- 11 150,000. I MEAN, IT'S BUBBLEGUM MONEY.

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- 13 JOHN GEIGER: IT IS, BUT IT IS NOT THE EXCLUSIVE REMEDY. IT
- 14 IS...

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- 16 SUP. BURKE: WHAT ARE THE OTHER REMEDIES? THAT'S WHAT I NEED TO
- 17 KNOW.

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- 19 JOHN GEIGER: IT DEPENDS UPON WHAT THE DEPARTMENT ELECTS TO DO
- 20 AT THAT POINT. IF THE VENDOR IS...

- 22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THE DEPARTMENT DECIDES IT DOESN'T
- 23 WORK, LIKE SHE SAYS, THE DEPARTMENT DECIDE, THEN WE'VE GOT TO
- 24 PULL THE PLUG ON IT, WE'VE GOT TO GO TO SOME OTHER SYSTEM,
- 25 WHAT HAPPENS?



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- 2 JOHN GEIGER: IF, FOR EXAMPLE, THE DEPARTMENT WANTED TO GO BACK
- 3 TO USE ITS PRESENT SYSTEM, IT COULD DO THAT. IF IT WANTED TO
- 4 PROCURE ANOTHER SOFTWARE PACKAGE THAT'S AVAILABLE AT THAT
- 5 TIME, IT COULD DO THAT. AND THE COST OF DOING EITHER OF THOSE
- 6 TWO OPTIONS WOULD BE PART OF THE DAMAGES WHICH COULD BE
- 7 RECOVERABLE FROM BREACHING VENDOR.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: FROM THE \$5,000 A DAY OR IS THERE SOME
- 10 OTHER PENALTY ON TOP OF THE 150,000?

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12 JOHN GEIGER: IT'S ON TOP OF THAT.

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- 14 SUP. BURKE: NOW, I WANT YOU TO BE VERY SPECIFIC ON THIS. ON GO
- 15 LIVE DATE, DOES THAT PROVIDE A 5,000 PENALTY PER DAY, ON GO
- 16 LIVE? ON THAT LAST MILESTONE?

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18 **JOHN GEIGER:** YES.

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- 20 SUP. BURKE: SO AND THERE'S NO OTHER REMEDY THAT'S PROVIDED
- 21 THERE EXCEPT FOR THAT 5,000 A DAY AT THE END OF THAT
- 22 MILESTONE?



- 1 JOHN GEIGER: NO. IN ADDITION TO NOT MAKING GO LIVE TIMELY, IF
- 2 GO LIVE IS NEVER MADE ON THE 31ST DAY, ALL OF THE COUNTIES'
- 3 REMEDIES OF LAW AND EQUITY COULD BE EMPLOYED.

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- 5 SUP. BURKE: WELL, SEE, THEY CAN GO LIVE ON 31 BUT HE SAYS
- 6 THAT, FROM A PRACTICAL POINT, YOU CAN'T GO LIVE ON 31, YOU
- 7 HAVE TO GO LIVE ON JULY 1ST, 2005, OR JULY 1ST, 2006. SO IT
- 8 SEEMS TO ME, IN THIS CONTRACT, IT SHOULD SAY, IF IT'S NOT LIVE
- 9 ON JULY 1ST, 2005, THAT IT SHOULD-- YOU SHOULD HAVE TO PAY THE
- 10 5,000 A DAY UNTIL YOU CAN MEET THE TIME WHEN IT IS PRACTICAL
- 11 FOR THE AUDITOR TO PUT IT IN PLACE, WHICH IS JULY 1ST, 2006.
- 12 NOW, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOUR CONTRACT SAYS THAT BUT
- 13 CERTAINLY I WOULD ONLY VOTE FOR SOMETHING THAT PROVIDED THAT
- 14 KIND OF A COVERAGE IF, IN FACT, ON DAY 31, IF THEY'RE READY TO
- 15 GO LIVE AND IT'S NOT GOING TO DO HIM ANY GOOD, HE'S NOT GOING
- 16 TO DO BE ABLE TO DO IT ANYHOW.

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- 18 JOHN GEIGER: THAT, IN ESSENCE, WOULD BE A LIQUIDATED DAMAGE
- 19 CLAUSE FOR EACH DAY FOR THE 365 DAYS UNTIL NEXT BUSINESS
- 20 CYCLE.

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22 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: BUT THAT WOULD BE A--

- 24 SUP. BURKE: WELL, I WOULD SO MOVE THAT THAT BE AN AMENDMENT TO
- 25 THIS PROVISION IN THE CONTRACT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK SOME QUESTIONS.

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4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ARE YOU THROUGH, SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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6 SUP. BURKE: I'M NOT FINISHED BUT I'LL COME BACK.

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- 8 SUP. ANTONOVICH: QUESTION: WHY DOES THIS CONSTITUTE AN
- 9 UPGRADE?

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- 11 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: IT'S-- WE'RE ONLY IMPROVING TO THE CURRENT
- 12 STATUS OF A.M.S. ONLY THOSE ELEMENTS THAT WE ARE CURRENTLY NOW
- 13 USING FROM A.M.S., GENERAL LEDGER AND SO FORTH, WE HAVE FOUR
- 14 OR FIVE. EACH ONE OF THOSE WE HAVE VERY CAREFULLY-- THOSE ARE
- 15 THE ONLY ONES THAT WERE UPGRADED. SO IT'S AN UPGRADE AS
- 16 OPPOSED TO AN EXPANSION.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND WHAT WOULD BE THE ONGOING MAINTENANCE
- 19 COSTS IF WE DON'T UPGRADE THE CURRENT SYSTEM?

- 21 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THERE'S \$87,000-TYPE OF THING THAT WE WOULD
- 22 HAVE. BUT OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM IS THE STAFF COSTS ASSOCIATED
- 23 WITH KEEPING THE C.A.P.S. SYSTEM, THE OLD ONE, GOING. IT'S
- 24 VERY EXPENSIVE FOR ME TO HAVE A LOT OF SYSTEMS ANALYSTS MAKING



- I SURE IT WORKS EVERY DAY AND EVERY MONTH. THAT'S THE BIG
- 2 EXPENSE.

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- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WHAT ARE THE RISKS IF WE DON'T UPGRADE THE
- 5 SYSTEM?

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- 7 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THE SIMPLE ONE I SHOWED YOU-- MENTIONED WAS
- 8 THE ISSUE OF THE-- NOT BEING ABLE TO PUT THOSE RECIPIENTS ON
- 9 BUT IT GETS MUCH WORSE. THE PROBLEM IS, IF THE SYSTEM GETS SO
- 10 THAT IT CAN'T WORK, I CAN'T DISBURSE CHECKS, OR CHANCES ARE
- 11 WHAT WOULD HAPPEN, I WOULD EVENTUALLY FIND A WAY TO DO THAT,
- 12 BUT WE MAY HAVE A DELAY OF MONTHS OR WEEKS AND THOSE ARE THE
- 13 THINGS THAT ARE VERY DIFFICULT BECAUSE THE SYSTEM IS SO OLD
- 14 AND SO COMPLICATED AND THOSE DISBURSEMENTS SYSTEMS ARE SO OLD
- 15 AND THE VERY, VERY FEW PEOPLE THAT KNOW HOW TO FIX IT. THAT'S
- 16 A VERY BIG CONCERN OF MINE.

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- 18 SUP. ANTONOVICH: WHAT ARE THE CURRENT BENEFITS IF WE DO
- 19 UPGRADE?

- 21 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THEY'RE MANY. THE ACCESS TO A LOT OF DATA
- 22 MUCH MORE QUICKLY THAN YOU-- AS YOUR BOARD HAS ASKED ME MANY
- 23 TIMES AND I HOPE TO NEVER HAVE TO TELL YOU, "I'M SORRY, I
- 24 DON'T HAVE THAT DATA OR I CAN'T GET THAT DATA WITHOUT ASKING
- 25 EACH DEPARTMENT". WE STANDARDIZE ALL OF THE ACCOUNTING



- 1 STRUCTURE, WE CALL, OF THE CHART OF ACCOUNTS SO EVERY
- 2 DEPARTMENT WILL BE USING THE SAME ACCOUNTS AND THEY WILL
- 3 PUTTING IN THE SAME TYPE OF EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES IN THOSE
- 4 ACCOUNTS. IF YOU WANTED TO KNOW FROM ME HOW MUCH IT COST THE
- 5 COUNTY TO DO THE POLL WORKER PROGRAM, I COULD TELL YOU BECAUSE
- 6 THE DEPARTMENTS COULD CODE INTO A PROGRAM. THAT WOULD BE TRUE
- 7 OF ANY PROGRAM THE COUNTY RAN. SO ALL OF THOSE THINGS ARE,
- 8 COLLECTIVELY, ARE VERY BENEFICIAL TO THE COUNTY.

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- 10 SUP. ANTONOVICH: SO, IN YOUR PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT, THE COST,
- 11 THE UPGRADE AND THE BENEFITS ARE BENEFICIAL FOR US TO
- 12 RECOMMEND AND IMPLEMENT?

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- 14 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THEY'RE HUGE, SIR. IN 15 MONTHS, I COULD BE
- 15 OUT OF THE PICKLE I'M IN NOW. I'D HAVE A FINE, UPGRADED
- 16 SYSTEM. IT WOULD-- ALL THOSE RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE OLD, IT
- 17 WILL BE GONE AND I WOULD HAVE A WHOLE CADRE OF STAFF THAT KNEW
- 18 HOW TO RUN THIS SYSTEM.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GLORIA, YOU INDICATED THAT YOU WANTED TO
- 21 SPEAK, DID YOU? ARE YOU? NO?

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23 SUP. MOLINA: I'M SORRY?



1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YOU INDICATED-- DID YOU WANT TO SAY

2 SOMETHING?

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- 4 SUP. MOLINA: WELL, AGAIN, I WASN'T SURE EXACTLY WHERE MS.
- 5 BURKE WAS GOING ON THIS BUT IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU'VE
- 6 CREATED SORT OF A VERY UNIQUE RELATIONSHIP-- OR A UNIQUE
- 7 OPPORTUNITY FOR US BECAUSE, NORMALLY, WE PAY THIS UP FRONT,
- 8 WHICH IS WHAT HAPPENED IN SOME OF THE OTHER AREAS. BUT IT'S MY
- 9 UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS ONE DOESN'T GET PAID UNTIL IT GOES
- 10 ONLINE, IS THAT CORRECT? FOR THE MOST PART?

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- 12 JONATHON WILLIAMS: IT'S A FIXED PRICE DELIVERABLE CONTRACT.
- 13 WE'RE PAYING SPECIFIC AMOUNTS. AND ONE THING I WANTED TO ADD
- 14 TO THE POINT, ON JULY 1ST, WHAT WE HAVE IS, THERE'S ALSO A 15%
- 15 HOLDBACK ON DELIVERABLES AND I WAS JUST QUICKLY LOOKING, I
- 16 DON'T HAVE THE EXACT NUMBER, BUT IT'S APPROXIMATELY A MILLION
- 17 DOLLARS IS ALSO SITTING THERE OF MONEY THAT WE WOULD HAVE HELD
- 18 BACK FROM PREVIOUS INVOICES. SO THAT IT ISN'T ONLY THE \$5,000
- 19 A DAY THAT WE'RE SITTING THERE. WE WOULD NOT HAVE PAID OUT
- 20 THAT MILLION DOLLARS ON DELIVERABLES WE'VE RECEIVED BUT WE'VE
- 21 HAD HELD IT BACK ON A PERFORMANCE BASIS. THE HOLDBACK EXTENDS
- 22 NOT ONLY ON THE JULY DATE AND THERE IS SOME FLEXIBILITY ON
- 23 THAT JULY 1ST. THE PROBLEM IS, AS YOU MOVE FURTHER AWAY FROM
- 24 IT, IT BECOMES MORE COMPLEX.



- 1 SUP. BURKE: WELL, I NEED TO KNOW THAT. I MEAN, IF-- THE
- 2 AUDITOR JUST SAID IF IT DOESN'T START ON JULY 1ST, IT DOESN'T
- 3 MAKE REALLY SENSE...

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- 5 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: EVERY DAY THAT YOU POST TRANSACTIONS AFTER
- 6 JULY 1ST, IT GETS VERY, VERY DIFFICULT TO GO BACK OR YOU CAN'T
- 7 POST THEM AND THAT'S WHY, YOU KNOW, IN A SYSTEM AS LARGE AS
- 8 OURS-- IF YOU HAD A SMALL SYSTEM, YOU COULD STAND THAT FOR A
- 9 WHILE. YOU COULD NOT FOR-- YOU COULD PROBABLY GO BACK FOR A
- 10 FEW WEEKS BUT YOU COULDN'T GO FORWARD-- IF WE GOT INTO LONGER
- 11 THAN THAT, IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT AND YOU WILL NOT
- 12 FIND ORGANIZATIONS OUR SIZE IMPLEMENTING MID-YEAR. IT'S CALLED
- 13 A CONVERSION AND IT'S VERY, VERY DIFFICULT TO DO.

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- 15 SUP. MOLINA: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD THAT, YOU KNOW, AS GOING
- 16 THROUGH THIS, AS YOU KNOW, I WAS OPPOSED TO THE OTHER CONTRACT
- 17 AND, IN THE END, WHEN IT WAS DISCUSSED, CERTAINLY THE NEED WAS
- 18 THERE. WE'VE ALL UNDERSTOOD AND RECOGNIZED THAT THE NEED IS
- 19 THERE BUT WHETHER WE SHOULD BE UNDERTAKING. I HAVE TO SAY
- 20 THAT, AFTER LOOKING AT THIS AND SEEING WHAT HAS BEEN DONE HERE
- 21 AND WHAT OUR AUDITOR HAS PUT TOGETHER, I'M VERY IMPRESSED WITH
- 22 THIS ENTIRE PROCESS. IT MEETS THE MAJORITY OF OUR NEEDS.

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24 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: IT DOES.



- 1 SUP. MOLINA: IT DOESN'T DEAL WITH THE HUMAN RESOURCES END
- 2 BECAUSE I WAS ASKING ABOUT, YOU KNOW, WHAT IS IT WE DIDN'T GET
- 3 THE LAST TIME AROUND AND IT REALLY BRINGS DOWN, I THINK, A LOT
- 4 OF THE RISKS THAT WERE ASSOCIATED WITH THE OTHER CONTRACT AND
- 5 WHAT REALLY CONCERNED ME WAS THE FACT THAT, WHETHER INTERNALLY
- 6 WE WERE GOING TO BE ABLE TO MOVE OVER TO THAT AND WHAT THE
- 7 ADDITIONAL COST IN PERSONNEL AND OTHER KIND OF UPGRADES THAT
- 8 WE NEEDED OVERALL JUST TO KEEP AHEAD OF IT. SO, TO ME, THIS--
- 9 I KNOW THIS IS SOMETHING THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. THE COST IS
- 10 DRAMATICALLY DIFFERENT AND IT GETS US THE MAJORITY OF WHAT WE
- 11 WANT. AND THE WAY IT'S BEEN SET UP WITH THE WHOLE SERIES OF--
- 12 WHICH IS DIFFERENT THAN HOW WE'VE DONE OTHER CONTRACTS, I'VE
- 13 NEVER SEEN THIS BEFORE, WHICH IS A GOOD THING, YOU KNOW, THE
- 14 DELIVERABLES, I THINK IT JUST MAKES SO MUCH SENSE FOR US. ALL
- 15 I CAN SAY IS BUT COMPLIMENT THE TEAM THAT PUT THIS TOGETHER. I
- 16 THINK IT'S WELL DONE, I APPRECIATE IT AND I-- IT LOOKS LIKE--
- 17 I MEAN, BECAUSE I KNOW WE NEEDED TO GET THERE, BUT I THINK
- 18 THAT WE NEED TO TAKE THIS KIND OF APPROACH MORE OFTEN AND LOOK
- 19 AT THESE OPPORTUNITIES OF VARIOUS OPTIONS. LAST TIME, I DON'T
- 20 KNOW, FOR WHATEVER REASON, THE OPTION WAS JUST, LIKE, ON A
- 21 FAST TRACK AND IT JUST WAS BOTHERING ME, THERE WERE SO MANY
- 22 ASSOCIATED COSTS, AND THAT'S-- OUR BIGGEST PROBLEM IS
- 23 OURSELVES AND THESE VENTURES. YOU KNOW, WE WANT STATE OF THE
- 24 ART, WE WANT THIS THINGS, BUT SOMETIMES YOU JUST CAN'T-- IT
- 25 JUST DOESN'T MELD WITH WHAT WE'RE DOING AND SO THAT'S WHY THIS



- 1 ONE WORKS FOR ME. I KNOW WE'RE STILL PUTTING OUT QUITE A BIT
- 2 OF MONEY BUT IT IS REALLY MEETING THE NEED AND ALL I CAN SAY
- 3 IS THAT I APPRECIATE HOW THIS WAS APPROACHED AND, MORE
- 4 IMPORTANTLY, HOW WE'RE GOING TO BE LOOKING AT IT AND I THINK
- 5 IT REALLY PROBABLY MIGHT BE A MODEL AS TO HOW TO APPROACH
- 6 THESE THINGS. I KNOW STATE OF THE ART IS SO IMPORTANT BUT
- 7 SOMETIMES, YOU KNOW, WE ARE SO ATTRACTED BY THE HIGH TECH
- 8 ASPECT OF THESE THINGS THAT WE LET IT CREATE THESE DAZZLING
- 9 STARS IN OUR EYES AND NOT DEALING WITH THE REALITY OF CAN WE
- 10 IMPLEMENT IT, CAN WE HANDLE IT AND SOMETIMES WE ALWAYS BUY OR
- 11 ARE REACHING FOR MORE THAN WE CAN UNDERTAKE. AND CERTAINLY IN
- 12 THE LAST ONE, AFTER VISITING RIVERSIDE, I WAS REALLY EVEN MORE
- 13 CONCERNED, EVEN THOUGH I RECOGNIZE HOW IMPORTANT IT WAS, EVEN
- 14 MORE CONCERNED AFTER WE HAD MORE OF A HANDS-ON APPROACH TO IT.
- 15 SO I THANK YOU.

- 17 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: I'D LIKE TO COMMEND BOB DAVIS. HE WAS THE
- 18 IDEA MAN, THE ARCHITECT OF THIS. HE DID A WONDERFUL JOB. YOU
- 19 MENTIONED, TOO, SOMETHING I WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOUR BOARD ON
- 20 THE H.R. SIDE. WHEN OUR C.A.P.S. SYSTEM WASN'T PROVIDING
- 21 REPORTS THAT OUR DEPARTMENTS NEEDED, WE CREATED A SYSTEM
- 22 ALONGSIDE WHICH WAS ALLOWED TO CREATE THOSE REPORTS AND GET TO
- 23 OUR DEPARTMENTS INFORMATION THAT HAD NEVER BEEN GOT TO THEM
- 24 BEFORE BECAUSE THE OLD SYSTEM WASN'T SET UP. SO WE WERE ABLE
- 25 TO USE NEW TECHNOLOGY. NOW, ON THE H.R. SIDE AND THE PAYROLL



- 1 SIDE, WE ARE IN THE PROCESS AND CLOSE TO HAVING DEVELOPED A
- 2 SIMILAR SIDE CAR, IF YOU WANT TO CALL IT, THAT WOULD GO WITH
- 3 OUR C.W. TAP SYSTEM AND OUR C.W. PAY, THOSE ARE OUR PAYROLL
- 4 SYSTEMS THAT WE ARE VERY HOPEFUL WILL PROVIDE MANY OF THE
- 5 NEEDS THAT OUR DEPARTMENTS HAVE EXPRESSED IN THE H.R. AREA
- 6 UNTIL WE ARE ABLE TO, AS A COUNTY, TO EMBRACE A NEW H.R.
- 7 SYSTEM AND THAT MAY BE YEARS.

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9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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- 11 SUP. BURKE: GETTING BACK TO THE DEPARTMENTS, FOR THEM TO
- 12 CHANGE THEIR COMPUTER SYSTEM, THEY'RE GOING TO CHANGE THEIR
- 13 CHART OF ACCOUNTS, THAT'S WHAT I UNDERSTAND.

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15 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THAT'S CORRECT.

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- 17 SUP. BURKE: NOW IS EACH DEPARTMENT, I SUPPOSE, HAS HAD INPUT
- 18 INTO THIS TO DETERMINE WHAT THEIR COSTS WILL BE AS IT RELATES
- 19 TO THAT CHANGING OF THEIR ACCOUNT SYSTEM.

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- 21 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: ACTUALLY, SUPERVISOR, THERE WILL BE NO
- 22 COSTS. THERE ARE NOT GOING TO BE ANY INCREMENTAL COSTS.

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24 SUP. BURKE: THERE WILL BE NO COSTS?



- 1 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: NO INCREMENTAL COSTS. THEY WILL BE TRAINED
- 2 AND THEY WILL ASSIST US. WE HAVE MEETINGS SET UP WITH THEM TO-
- 3 WHERE THEY WERE GOING TO WORK THROUGH THIS CHART OF
- 4 ACCOUNTS. IT'S AS IMPORTANT TO THEM AS IT IS TO YOU. THEY NEED
- 5 TO BE ABLE TO, BE ABLE TO GET THE RIGHT ACCOUNT. IT WILL BE A
- 6 COLLECTIVE CHART OF ACCOUNT SUCH THAT WE THINK WILL WORK FOR
- 7 YEARS AND PROVIDE THE INFORMATION. SO THEY'RE VERY MUCH
- 8 INVOLVED.

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- 10 SUP. BURKE: SO WE WON'T HEAR FROM THE DEPARTMENTS THAT THEY
- 11 NEED MORE MONEY TO DO THIS?

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- 13 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: WE DON'T SEE IT AS IT CAN TAKE THAT MUCH
- 14 TIME.

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16 SUP. BURKE: WELL, HE WANTS TO SAY SOMETHING.

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- 18 JONATHON WILLIAMS: I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY A POINT HERE.
- 19 THERE'S NOT A-- IT'S A SYSTEM THAT'S GOING TO BE USED BY ALL
- 20 DEPARTMENTS AND WE'RE GOING TO DESIGN THE CHART OF ACCOUNTS
- 21 THAT WILL MEET BOTH OUR COUNTYWIDE NEEDS BUT THEN SPECIFIC
- 22 NEEDS FOR EACH DEPARTMENT.

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24 SUP. BURKE: FOR EACH DEPARTMENT.



- 1 JONATHON WILLIAMS: NOW, DEPARTMENTS USE-- IT WOULD BE OUR
- 2 INTENT THAT THEY USE OUR-- THE NEW SYSTEM AND THESE
- 3 APPLICATIONS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE. IF THEY CHOOSE OR THEY HAVE
- 4 A LEGACY SYSTEM, FOR EXAMPLE, C.A.M.U.S., AND HERE'S A PERFECT
- 5 EXAMPLE, IS THAT WE HAVE A PURCHASING SYSTEM THAT'S SEPARATE.
- 6 AS YOU MAKE A PURCHASE IN THAT SYSTEM, IT HAS A CHART OF
- 7 ACCOUNTS STRING THAT'S IN THERE. WHEN WE CHANGE THE CHART OF
- 8 ACCOUNTS, IT'S GOING TO IMPACT THAT SYSTEM. THEY'RE GOING TO
- 9 HAVE TO MAKE A CHANGE TO THE SYSTEM. SO THERE IS A COST THAT
- 10 THEIR LEGACY STAFF WILL HAVE TO ADAPT TO CHANGE THE SYSTEM TO
- 11 DO THAT SO THEY MEET OUR NEEDS. WE'RE...

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- 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: BUT THE DEPARTMENT WON'T HAVE ANY CHOICE,
- 14 RIGHT? THE DEPARTMENT WON'T HAVE ANY CHOICE? THE DEPARTMENT
- 15 HAS TO USE YOUR SYSTEM?

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17 **JONATHON WILLIAMS: YES.** 

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- 19 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THEY WILL HAVE-- THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAS
- 20 THE AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH THAT ACCOUNT.

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- 22 SUP. BURKE: AND THAT IS-- WILL BE IN THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET
- 23 THAT WE WILL RECEIVE LATER, IS THAT IT?



- 1 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE THAT INTO
- 2 ACCOUNT IN THEIR BUDGET. WE HAVE NOT IDENTIFIED THOSE COSTS
- 3 HERE.

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5 SUP. BURKE: YOU HAVE NOT IDENTIFIED THEM?

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- 7 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THEY ARE NOT INCLUDED HERE BECAUSE IT
- 8 DEPENDS-- PART OF THE PROBLEM OF IDENTIFYING THOSE, IT DEPENDS
- 9 HOW EXTENSIVE WE CHANGE THE CHART OF ACCOUNTS WHICH IS, WE
- 10 HAVE TO GET INTO THE PROJECT TO DO THAT. IT'S OUR INTENT, IN
- 11 THE SCHEDULE, TO HAVE THAT CHART OF ACCOUNTS RESIGNED BY,
- 12 LIKE, AROUND JULY OF THIS YEAR. THAT WOULD GIVE THEM ONE YEAR
- 13 TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES WITH THEIR EXISTING STAFF SO THAT THEY
- 14 CANNOT BE FORCED TO DO IT VERY QUICKLY AND, YOU KNOW...

- 16 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: I DON'T SEE THIS, SUPERVISORS, AS SOMETHING
- 17 THAT WOULD COST A LOT. IT WILL BE TIME THAT IT WILL TAKE BUT
- 18 IT SHOULD NOT INCREMENTAL COSTS. A LOT OF THEM USE
- 19 SPREADSHEETS, WHICH MAKES SENSE, THAT'S WHAT WE WERE ABLE TO
- 20 DESIGN SO THEY COULD, INSTEAD OF OF RE-KEYING THE INFORMATION,
- 21 IT FLOWED DOWN INTO THEIR SPREADSHEETS. THEY CAN DO THAT NOW.
- 22 THEY'LL HAVE TO CHANGE THEIR SPREADSHEET CHART OF ACCOUNTS,
- 23 AND THAT WILL MAKE SENSE FOR THEM BECAUSE THEY USE THAT TO PAY
- 24 THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND SO FORTH. BUT ALL OF THOSE THINGS
- 25 ARE VERY DOABLE.



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2 SUP. BURKE: ALL RIGHT. AND THIS IS MY LAST QUESTION. MY

3 RECOLLECTION, WHEN WE WERE LOOKING AT THE PEOPLESOFT VERSUS

4 THE OTHER, WHOEVER IT WAS THAT WAS BIDDING AGAINST THEM, ONE

5 OF THE THINGS WAS THAT CHANGES THAT WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE IN

6 THE SYSTEM TO MEET THOSE DEPARTMENTS, WE LOOKED AT ONE VERSUS

7 THE OTHER BASED UPON HOW EASY IT WOULD BE FOR US TO TRAIN THE

8 PEOPLE TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES. IN THIS CASE, ARE THEY ALREADY

9 TRAINED AND ARE THEY FAMILIAR ENOUGH WITH THIS SYSTEM ALREADY

10 THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES?

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12 JONATHON WILLIAMS: THERE IS GOING TO BE EXTENSIVE TRAINING

13 INVOLVED IN THE PROJECT, JUST BECAUSE WE'RE DEALING WITH SUCH

14 A RADICAL CHANGE IN TECHNOLOGY AND AN ADVANCEMENT OF THE

15 SYSTEM BUT THE-- ONE THING WE FOUND WHEN DEPARTMENTS WERE

16 LOOKING AT THE AMS PRODUCT, THE TERMINOLOGY AND THE UNDER--

17 THE WORKFLOW IN THE SYSTEM WAS MUCH MORE UNDERSTANDABLE TO

18 COUNTY STAFF. IT WAS VERY INTERESTING TO SEE THAT THEY HAD

19 LESS DIFFICULTY UNDERSTANDING TERMINOLOGY, WHAT WAS BEING--

20 WITH THIS PRODUCT THAN WITH ANY OF THE OTHER PRODUCTS WE HAD

21 SEEN BECAUSE WE'RE USED TO THE TERMINOLOGY. IT'S AN UPGRADE OF

22 THE SAME CORE SYSTEM, THE SAME CORE PHILOSOPHY AND DESIGN

23 ISSUES SO THAT THERE WERE A LOT THERE. IN ADDITION, ONE THING

24 THAT WE LEARNED FROM THE WHOLE PROCESS OVER THE 18 MONTHS. WE

25 SPENT A LOT MORE TIME IN THE NEGOTIATIONS ON WHAT THE TRAINING



- 1 PACKAGE WOULD BE FOR THIS. THIS IS NOT A TRAIN THE TRAINER OR
- 2 THE COUNTY NOT BEING ON OUR SELF. IT'S A CO-TRAINING PACKAGE.
- 3 THERE'S OVER 4,200 HOURS OF AMS TIME IN THIS PROPOSAL THAT
- 4 THEY'LL BE SIDE BY SIDE WITH THE COUNTY ASSISTING US IN
- 5 TRAINING THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD. WE ALSO PUT ONE OF THE THINGS
- 6 THAT, YOU KNOW, FROM VISITING SITES LIKE RIVERSIDE AND SUCH
- 7 THAT WE LEARNED IS, THERE'S A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF RELEARNING
- 8 THAT, ONCE YOU GO LIVE, PEOPLE FORGET WHAT THEY LEARNED IN THE
- 9 SESSION, SO THERE'S A-- ABOUT, I THINK IT'S 10 TO 20% OF THE
- 10 HOURS ARE SET ASIDE TO GO AFTER WE GO LIVE SO THAT WE CAN
- 11 BRING PEOPLE BACK THAT ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY AND GIVE THEM
- 12 SOME SUPPLEMENTAL TRAINING TO FOCUS IN ON SPECIFIC AREAS THEY
- 13 HAVE. SO WE SPENT A LOT OF TIME IN THE TRAINING DESIGN HERE TO
- 14 TRY TO ACCOMMODATE THAT LOOK AND FEEL AND THE EASE OF
- 15 TRAINING.

- 17 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD ONE MORE THING.
- 18 I'M NOT SURE IF YOU'RE AWARE OF THE INITIATIVE THAT THE
- 19 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS INVOLVED IN RELATIVE TO THE COUNTYWIDE
- 20 STRATEGIC PLAN OF LOOKING AT WHETHER WE CAN CONSOLIDATE, AND
- 21 I'M CERTAIN WE CAN, CONSOLIDATE DEPARTMENT'S FISCAL OPERATIONS
- 22 AND THAT IS POTENTIALLY VERY COST-SAVINGS AND IT'S VERY OFTEN
- 23 DONE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A NEW SYSTEM. SO SMALLER
- 24 DEPARTMENTS MAY FIND THEIR FISCAL SECTIONS IN A LARGER
- 25 DEPARTMENT. THIS DIFFERENT-- SO THE TRAINING WILL HAVE MORE



- 1 EXPERTS ON EACH SITE AND, IF SOMEBODY LEAVES A SMALL
- 2 DEPARTMENT, IT WILL NOT BE VERY DIFFICULT. WE FOUND THAT IN
- 3 RIVERSIDE, THAT, YOU KNOW, IF SOMEONE'S LEFT, IT WAS VERY,
- 4 VERY HARD TO RETRAIN THEM BECAUSE THEY HAD ALL THIS TRAINING.
- 5 NOW WE ARE LOOKING AT, BOTH FROM AN EFFICIENCY STANDPOINT FROM
- 6 THE COUNTY AND JUST A STANDARDIZATION AND NOW ALSO TO WORK
- 7 WITH OUR NEW SYSTEM, A CONSOLIDATING OF DEPARTMENTS' FISCAL
- 8 OPERATIONS.

- 10 SUP. BURKE: ALL RIGHT. I'D LIKE TO BE VERY CLEAR. I UNDERSTAND
- 11 WE NEED TO DO SOMETHING AND WE NEED TO HAVE A NEW SYSTEM. I
- 12 UNDERSTAND THAT. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS A LOT LESS
- 13 MONEY, A FRACTION OF THE AMOUNT OF MONEY WE WERE SPENDING
- 14 BEFORE BUT, OF COURSE, WE'RE NOT UNDERTAKING AS BIG-- A WHOLE
- 15 PROJECT, WE AREN'T GOING INTO THE H.R., WE'RE GOING INTO THE
- 16 FINANCIAL, WHICH IS, OF COURSE, IS THE MOST IMPORTANT. I HAVE
- 17 A LOT OF QUESTION IN MY MIND IN TERMS OF THE TIMETABLE THAT WE
- 18 GOT HERE AND EXACTLY HOW WE GOT TO THIS POINT. THAT'S WHY I
- 19 WOULD LIKE-- I FEEL IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE
- 20 ASSURANCES THAT THIS TIMETABLE IS GOING TO WORK, SINCE THAT'S
- 21 THE REASON WHY WE CAN'T LOOK AT THIS ANYMORE, THAT WE HAVE TO
- 22 TAKE IT AS IT IS, IT HAS TO GO TODAY, WE CAN'T HAVE ANY TIME
- 23 TO REVIEW IT, NO ONE ELSE CAN REVIEW IT, WE HAVE TO TAKE IT AS
- 24 IT IS. I NEED TO HAVE SOME ASSURANCES THAT, IF IT DOESN'T GO



- 1 LIVE ON THE DATE IT'S SUPPOSED TO AND IT DOESN'T DO WHAT IT'S
- 2 SUPPOSED TO DO, WE HAVE ADEQUATE COMPENSATION.

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4 SPEAKER: IN ADDITION TO THE LIQUIDATED DAMAGES...

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6 SUP. BURKE: AND I WOULD-- I AMEND-- I SO AMEND THE MOTION.

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- 8 JOHN GEIGER, COUNSEL: IN ADDITION TO THE LIQUIDATED DAMAGES AT
- 9 THAT POINT OF GO LIVE, YOU HAVE AN AGGREGATE OF ABOUT \$1.8
- 10 MILLION IN HOLDBACK.

- 12 SUP. BURKE: HOLDBACK IS ONE ISSUE. I UNDERSTAND HOLDBACK BUT I
- 13 ALSO UNDERSTAND WHEN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT A SPECIFIC DATE FOR
- 14 SOMETHING TO HAPPEN AND THAT IT'S NOT LIKE YOU CAN DELAY IT--
- 15 LIKE WE DID LEADER. LEADER WAS SUPPOSED TO GO LIVE, OH, I
- 16 CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER THE DATES, BUT IT WENT OVER AND OVER AND
- 17 OVER AND THEN IT HAD PROBLEMS BECAUSE IT COULD NOT COMPENSATE
- 18 FOR ALL THE MAGNITUDE OF WHAT WE WERE DOING IN TERMS OF THE
- 19 SEPARATE DIFFERENT AREAS. SO THEN THEY BROUGHT THE I.R.S.
- 20 SYSTEM IN AND THEN WE WERE ABLE TO DO THIS AND IT FINALLY
- 21 WORKED. NOW, APPARENTLY, WE CAN'T DO THAT WITH THIS. SO THAT'S
- 22 WHY I WANT TO SEE SOME DEFINITE, ONGOING PENALTY. 5,000 A DAY
- 23 SOUNDS OKAY. IT'S NOT GREAT. IT MAY NOT COMPENSATE US FOR ALL
- 24 OF WHAT THE DELAY DOES BUT AT LEAST THAT'S SOMETHING, IN



1 ADDITION TO SOME OF THE PROVISIONS IN THE CONTRACT. I HAVE

2 NOTHING FURTHER.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE-- IT WASN'T TOO LONG
- 5 AGO YOU WERE PREPARED TO RECOMMEND A DIFFERENT SOLUTION FOR
- 6 YOUR PROBLEMS.

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8 SPEAKER: THAT'S CORRECT.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AND OBVIOUSLY THERE WAS A HOSTILE,
- 11 POTENTIAL HOSTILE TAKEOVER BY ORACLE OF YOUR RECOMMENDED
- 12 COMPANY YOU WERE INVOLVED WITH. IN THE MEANTIME, YOU'RE
- 13 PROCEEDING NOW IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME AND ALL OF A SUDDEN,
- 14 YOU KNOW, AMS HAS THIS WONDERFUL PRODUCT THAT THEY DIDN'T HAVE
- 15 18 MONTHS AGO AND IT'S BEEN ACQUIRED BY A CANADIAN COMPANY.
- 16 THIS COMPANY, YOU KNOW, IS A GOOD COMPANY. IT'S INDICATED IT'S
- 17 WILLING TO SUPPORT AMS BUT ALSO RECENTLY THEY'VE SOLD OFF SOME
- 18 UNITS. HOW CAN WE BE ASSURED, ON SOME LONG-TERM BASIS, THAT,
- 19 ONE, EITHER THEY DON'T SELL OFF AMS, THAT THEY'RE GOING TO
- 20 CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE PRODUCT? I MEAN, THE DYNAMICS FROM AN
- 21 ORGANIZATIONAL STANDPOINT, AS I UNDERSTAND, CAN CHANGE
- 22 DRAMATICALLY IN A TAKEOVER LIKE THIS. GRANTED, IT'S NOT
- 23 HOSTILE, BUT, GRANTED, THERE'S BOTTOM LINE ISSUES WHEN IT
- 24 COMES TO TAKEOVERS AND BUYING OUT COMPANIES.



- 1 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: SIR, IT SEEMS TO ME THE SYSTEM WE'RE IN,
- 2 ALTHOUGH THE BACKGROUND AND RESEARCH WE WERE ABLE TO DO,
- 3 SUPERVISOR, WAS-- INDICATED THAT THE-- THIS MARRIAGE OF THESE
- 4 TWO COMPANIES WAS FOR THE BEST FOR BOTH AND I DO KNOW-- RIGHT
- 5 NOW, I DO HAVE JUST THEIR WORD ON A PAGE BUT THEY ARE VERY
- 6 WILLING TO AMEND AND COME AND SIGN THE CONTRACT, TOO, BUT THEY
- 7 CAN'T DO LEGALLY NOW UNTIL THEY'RE FULLY MERGED. BUT WE'VE
- 8 SPOKEN TO THEM AT LENGTH, THEY HAVE DONE THE BEST THEY COULD
- 9 IN TERMS OF SAYING THAT THEY WOULD SUPPORT THIS SYSTEM AND IT
- 10 IS PART OF THEIR STRATEGY FOR THE WHOLE UNITED STATES TO BE
- 11 THAT THEY WOULD USE THIS SYSTEM TO ENTER INTO OUR-- THE
- 12 SYSTEMS THEY HAD TO SELL OFF BECAUSE THEY'RE A CANADIAN FIRM,
- 13 THEY SOLD OFF SOME OF THEIR DEFENSE DEPARTMENT BECAUSE IT
- 14 WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN APPROPRIATE, AS I UNDERSTAND. HOWEVER, THEY
- 15 HAVE MANY, MANY FEDERAL FIRMS...

- 17 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OH, I UNDERSTAND THAT BUT, I MEAN, YOU
- 18 KNOW, YOU WONDER SOMETIMES WHEN THEY SELL OFF UNITS, WHETHER
- 19 OR NOT IT'S TO PAY OFF AN EXISTING PURCHASE AND YOU'RE
- 20 RECOMMENDING AN AGREEMENT PRIOR TO THAT MERGER, FULL MERGER
- 21 TAKING PLACE. I MEAN, MY WHOLE ISSUE, I GUESS, QUITE THE
- 22 CONTRARY, THIS IS FINDING SUPERVISOR MOLINA ON OPPOSITE SIDES,
- 23 WHERE SHE'S ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT THE PROCESS AND SHE'S SO
- 24 SUPPORTIVE WITH THOSE LOVING COMMENTS THAT I HEARD. THAT'S MY
- 25 PROBLEM HERE, THAT THINGS HAVE TRANSPIRED SO QUICKLY WITH A



- 1 COMPANY THAT, YOU KNOW, WASN'T REALLY IN THE BALLGAME NOT THAT
- 2 LONG AGO AND YOU WERE PREPARED TO MOVE FORWARD AND, IF IT
- 3 WASN'T FOR THE HOSTILE TAKEOVER ISSUE, YOU WOULD HAVE
- 4 RECOMMENDED. YOU WOULD HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT MOVE. NOW, HERE'S
- 5 MY CONCERN. THE REASON I-- YOU KNOW, I'M JUST GOING TO CAST A
- 6 "NO" VOTE ON THIS, NO MATTER WHAT COMPANY, IS BECAUSE THIS
- 7 SMELLS OF LEADER TO ME AND I LIVED THAT PROCESS. AND YOU GET
- 8 INVOLVED IN SOMETHING AND, AS SUPERVISOR BURKE MENTIONED, YOU
- 9 KNOW, ONE YEAR FROM NOW, ON JULY 1ST, 2005, I MEAN, HOW FAR DO
- 10 WE GET INTO THIS THING? YOU KNOW, RIGHT NOW, WE'RE DEALING
- 11 WITH JUST THE FINANCIAL ISSUES, THE FINANCIAL SIDE OF THE
- 12 AGREEMENT. AND, IF WE DON'T HAVE A GO DATE AND THE GO DATE
- 13 DOESN'T WORK AND MAYBE WE GET 5,000 BUCKS A DAY, MAYBE HOLD
- 14 BACK \$1.8 MILLION, WHOOPEE, WHOOPEE. WHAT HAPPENS AT THE END
- 15 OF THE DAY USUALLY FOR THE COUNTY AND WHAT OUR TRACK RECORD
- 16 HAS BEEN IS WE GET SO FAR INTO IT WE SAY, WELL, WE'RE GOING TO
- 17 HAVE TO SPEND THIS EXTRA MONEY AND IT'S HUGE, TO MAKE THE
- 18 SYSTEM WORK. WE DIDN'T ANTICIPATE THIS, BLAH, BLAH, BLAH. AND,
- 19 YOU KNOW, LOOK WHAT HAPPENED WITH LEADER. I MEAN, I KNOW THE
- 20 CONTRACT HERE IS DESIGNED DIFFERENTLY BUT THEN YOU'VE GOT A
- 21 SOLE SOURCE DEAL, YOU CHANGE YOUR SPECS, SO OBVIOUSLY NO ONE
- 22 ELSE HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY AND THERE'S ONLY TWO OR THREE OF
- 23 THEM, AS YOU FOUND OUT THE LAST TIME, THAT COULD DO THAT. YOU
- 24 CHANGE YOUR SPECS, NO ONE HAD A CHANCE TO EITHER COMPETITIVELY
- 25 BID OR LOOK AT THAT. YOU'RE SHOWING US AN UPGRADE BUT YOU ARE



- 1 BUYING NEW HARDWARE INSIDE THIS RECOMMENDATION. YOU LOOK AT
- 2 THE H.R. TAG ON THIS THING AND THAT CANNOT BE NECESSARILY AN
- 3 UPGRADE. I MEAN, THAT CAN BE AN EXPANSION OF THE WHOLE SYSTEM
- 4 AND WE CAN GET INTO THAT, AGAIN, AND THEN WE ARE-- WE'RE NO
- 5 LONGER JUST UPGRADING THE SYSTEM TO HELP YOU, WE'RE CHANGING
- 6 THE SYSTEM WITHOUT ANY REAL COMPETITION OUT THERE TO SEE THAT
- 7 WE'RE GETTING THE BEST BANG FOR OUR BUCK.

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- 9 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: THE H.R. POSITION IS GOING TO BE HOMEGROWN,
- 10 SUPERVISOR. IT'S NOT GOING TO BE PART OF THE AMS PRODUCT. IT'S
- 11 GOING TO-- FOR THE TIME BEING, BECAUSE WE DO NOT HAVE-- THIS
- 12 WAS NOT PART OF THE UPGRADE, IT WAS NOT PART OF...

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I UNDERSTAND THAT. I UNDERSTAND THAT PART
- 15 IS NOT THERE NOW BUT WHAT HAPPENS JULY 1ST? I MEAN, ONCE WE
- 16 GET INTO THIS? I MEAN, THAT'S WHY...

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- 18 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: I UNDERSTAND. THOSE ARE REASONABLE THINGS.
- 19 WE'VE SEEN SYSTEMS HAVE PROBLEMS. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT THE
- 20 LEGACY SYSTEM WAS A CUSTOMIZATION. THIS SYSTEM IS UP AND LIVE
- 21 AND RUNNING AND-- SO I DON'T SEE THE SIMILAR RISK IN THAT
- 22 REGARD BUT THERE'S ALWAYS RISKS, SUPERVISOR. I CAN'T SIT HERE
- 23 AND TELL YOU THERE WILL BE NOTHING THAT WILL GO WRONG.



SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US, AS AMENDED BY 1 2 SUPERVISOR... 3 SUP. BURKE: WAS MY AMENDMENT ACCEPTED? 4 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT IS THE AMENDMENT? 6 7 8 SUP. BURKE: MY AMENDMENT WAS THAT THE 5,000 WOULD START ON, IF IT DID NOT GO LIVE, ON JULY 1ST, 2005... 10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: DO YOU WANT TO TALK INTO-- BETTER TALK 11 12 INTO... 13 SUP. BURKE: SORRY. MY AMENDMENT WAS THAT, IF IT DID NOT GO 14 LIVE ON JULY 1ST, 2005, THAT THAT \$5,000, WHICH IS THE 15 16 LIQUIDATED DAMAGE PROVISION PER DAY, WOULD INCLUDE-- WOULD CONTINUE UNTIL ACTUALLY IT MET THE GO LIVE DATE THAT WAS 17 18 REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, NOT THE GO LIVE DATE 19 THAT THEY WOULD BE PREPARED. THEY MIGHT BE READY -- THEY MIGHT BE 30 OR 40 DAYS LATE BUT THE AUDITOR HAS TO START ON A JULY 20 21 1ST DATE. HE SAYS HE CAN GIVE A FEW DAYS BUT HE CAN'T GO A 22 MONTH LATE. HE HAS TO GO FIRST-- WE'LL THEN HAVE TO GO TO JULY 23 1ST, 2006, SO THAT THAT WOULD CONTINUE UNTIL SUCH DATE AS THE

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AUDITOR CAN START THE SYSTEM.



1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THAT, TYLER?

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- 3 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: MY ONLY CONCERN-- I HAVE NO PROBLEM IF
- 4 WE'RE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE. IT SOUNDS LIKE A CONTRACT NEGOTIATION
- 5 AND I GOT 15-- 14 1/2 MONTHS, AMBITIOUS AND, SUPERVISOR,
- 6 PLEASE, WAIT-- WE TRIED TO COVER EVERY ONE OF THE
- 7 EVENTUALITIES IN TERMS OF PROTECTING THE COUNTY AND MY
- 8 THOUGHTS, AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE LAWYERS WOULD SAY, IS THAT
- 9 IF THE SYSTEM DOESN'T MAKE IT, WE GET 150% OF THE COSTS OF THE
- 10 SYSTEM, WHICH IS A HUGE SUM OF MONEY AND I STILL HAVE MY OLD
- 11 C.A.P.S. SYSTEM BUT, ALL ALONG THE WAY, THEY WILL HAVE HAD TO
- 12 HAVE MADE ALL OF THESE OTHER MILESTONES AND SHOWN US THAT WE
- 13 WERE ON THE WAY AND THERE WAS NO ROUGH END TO THE DEAL.

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- 15 SUP. BURKE: BUT THE QUESTION, SEE, WHAT I'M ADDRESSING, IS NOT
- 16 WHETHER IT MAKES IT, BUT WHETHER IT MAKES IT LATE.

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18 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: I UNDERSTAND.

- 20 SUP. BURKE: YOU KNOW AND IF IT MAKES IT LATE AND YOU THEN HAVE
- 21 TO WAIT FOR A YEAR TO PUT IT-- TO IMPLEMENT IT, THEN WE'RE OUT
- 22 IN THE COLD FOR ALL OF THAT PERIOD OF TIME. SO IT'S GREAT. SO
- 23 THEY GET IT READY 30 DAYS LATE OR 60 DAYS LATE, LIKE LEADER
- 24 WAS EVENTUALLY TAKEN CARE OF, AND LEADER WAS OKAY. BUT, WITH
- 25 THIS, HE HAS TO IMPLEMENT ON A NEW FISCAL YEAR.



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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: LEADER WAS NOT OKAY.
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    SUP. BURKE: SO IT'S NOT OKAY.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: NO, LEADER WAS NOT OKAY.
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    SUP. BURKE: WELL, IT WASN'T OKAY BUT WHAT I MEAN IS...
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WE PAID FOR IT TO BE OKAY.
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    SUP. BURKE: EVENTUALLY, WE PAID ENOUGH SO IT STARTED WORKING.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPER...
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, I JUST-- I'M NOT GETTING A WARM AND
    FUZZY FEELING FROM YOU ABOUT THE AMENDMENT. I DID-- IF IT'S
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    GOING TO PUT A...
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    J. TYLER MCCAULEY: ONLY BECAUSE IT WOULD DELAY THE PROJECT AND
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    I CERTAINLY UNDERSTAND WHAT THE SUPERVISOR IS SAYING.
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, WHY WOULD IT DELAY THE PROJECT?
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    SUP. BURKE: WHY WILL IT DELAY?
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2 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: PARDON?

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4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHY WOULD IT DELAY THE PROJECT?

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- 6 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: WELL, THERE WOULD HAVE TO BE AN AMENDMENT
- 7 TO THE CONTRACT NEGOTIATED, I WOULD ASSUME.

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9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED A CONTRACT YET.

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- 11 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: NO, BUT WE HAVE ONE TO PRESENT TO YOU IF
- 12 YOU'RE READY TO SIGN IT. THAT'S WHAT IT COMES DOWN TO.

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14 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SO YOU HAVE ALREADY NEGOTIATED A CONTRACT.

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16 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: YES, WE HAVE, SIR.

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- 18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHEN WERE YOU PLANNING TO PRESENT THE
- 19 CONTRACT?

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21 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: PARDON ME?

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- 23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHEN WERE YOU PLANNING TO PRESENT THE
- 24 CONTRACT?



- 1 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: IF YOUR BOARD APPROVED DOING THIS PROJECT,
- 2 IT WAS PART OF THE BOARD'S...

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4 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IS IT PART OF OUR ACTION TODAY?

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6 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: YES.

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8 SUP. BURKE: THEY GAVE US THIS YESTERDAY.

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- 10 SPEAKER. YES. NO, NO, THE CONTRACT WAS SUBMITTED-- THIS IS A
- 11 COPY OF THE CONTRACT. IT WAS SUBMITTED WITH THE BOARD RESPONSE
- 12 WITH THIS PIECE, SO THE NEGOTIATED CONTRACT IS PART OF THE
- 13 PACKAGE SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD.

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- 15 >>SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND IF THEY DON'T GET IT UP AND RUNNING BY
- 16 THE JULY 1ST DATE OF 2005, YOU SAY, WHAT IS THE PENALTY?

- 18 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO PUSH OURSELVES BUT
- 19 WE BELIEVE IT'S VERY ACHIEVABLE '05 BUT, AT THIS POINT IN
- 20 TIME, IF WE DELAY TWO, THREE WEEKS, IT WOULD GET TO THE POINT
- 21 OF NOT BEING MADE AND I HATE BRINGING THAT TO YOU LIKE THIS. I
- 22 JUST NEEDED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE WORKED FROM OCTOBER TO NOW
- 23 VERY LONG AND HARD OVER TIME AND SO FORTH TO GET HERE ON
- 24 WEEKENDS. IT'S BEEN A VERY THOROUGH PROCESS AND I-- I DON'T
- 25 WANT TO SAY, SUPERVISOR, I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOUR CONCERN.



1 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: TYLER, YOU'RE NOT ANSWERING MY QUESTION. 2 3 C.A.O. JANSSEN: WHAT ARE THE PENALTIES? 4 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YOU SAID EARLIER THAT THERE'S 150%-- WE 6 7 WOULD RECOVER 150% OF THE COST IF IT-- IF WHAT? 8 9 SPEAKER: THAT WAS THE LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR NONPERFORMANCE ON THE DELIVERABLES. NOT MEETING OUR 10 11 OBLIGATIONS... 12 13 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND WHAT DOES NONPERFORMANCE MEAN? DOES THAT MEAN NOT BEING READY ON JULY 1ST OF '05? 14 15 16 SPEAKER: THAT WOULD BE ONE OF THEM, YES. 17 18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT DO YOU MEAN, ONE OF THEM? 19 SPEAKER: WELL, I MEAN, THERE ARE MANY REQUIREMENTS OF THE 20 21 AGREEMENT. 22

- 23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: IS THAT ENOUGH? IS IT ANY ONE OF THEM THAT
- 24 TRIGGERS THE 150% OR DOES IT HAVE TO BE ALL OF THEM, A
- 25 MAJORITY OF THEM OR WHAT? WHAT DOES THE CONTRACT SAY?

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1 2 SPEAKER: ANY MATERIAL BREACH OF CONTRACT, DELAY OR OTHERWISE, 3 THE... 4 5 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT IS THE DEFINITION OF A MATERIAL BREACH? IS FAILURE TO HAVE IT ONLINE ON JULY 1ST, 2005, A MATERIAL 6 7 BREACH? 8 9 SPEAKER: YES, THAT'S ONE OF THE KEY MILESTONES, ABSOLUTELY. 10 11 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: AND THEN HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE US TO RECOVER OUR 150%? DO WE HAVE TO GO TO COURT? THEY'RE NOT JUST GOING TO 12 13 WRITE YOU A CHECK. THEY HAVEN'T ESCROWED THE MONEY. SO WE'D BE IN COURT, BE THE WHOLE NINE YARDS? THEY'D NEGOTIATE A DEAL 14 WITH YOU AND YOU'D BE BACK IN 2006 IS WHAT YOU... 15 16 17 J.TYLER MCCAULEY: PROBABLY, SIR. 18 19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: SO THE PENALTIES REALLY ARE WINDOW DRESSING, 20 AREN'T THEY? AS A PRACTICAL MATTER, WHAT IS, WHAT IS... 21 22 SPEAKER: THERE'S THAT SENSE TO IT, SIR. 23 24 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WHAT IS 150% IN DOLLARS? WHAT IS 100%?



SPEAKER: \$19 MILLION.

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: 17 MILLION IS THE COST OF THE PROJECT SO...

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- 5 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: SOME OF THAT'S EQUIPMENT, SIR, SO THAT IT
- 6 PROBABLY WOULD BE, I THINK 19 IS THE TOTAL MAXIMUM PENALTY, 19
- 7 SOMETHING MILLION AT 150%.

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- 9 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, IN LIGHT OF THAT, I'D RATHER NOT-- I
- 10 MEAN, I'M SYMPATHETIC TO WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO BUT I'M
- 11 AFRAID THAT, IF WE SEND THEM BACK NOW, IT WOULD TAKE THEM
- 12 ANOTHER WEEK OR MONTH TO GET AN ANSWER FROM THEM, THAT WE'RE
- 13 JUST SETTING OURSELVES UP FOR FAILURE.

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- 15 SUP. BURKE: WELL, THEY'RE HERE. AREN'T THERE PRINCIPALS OF THE
- 16 COMPANY HERE? OR DOES IT DEPEND ON WHETHER THE COMPANY THAT'S
- 17 ACQUIRING THEM APPROVES IT?

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- 19 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WELL, WHO ARE THE PEOPLE OUT THERE IN
- 20 EXPENSIVE SUITS? I MEAN...

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- 22 SUP. BURKE: DOES THIS CONTRACT, DOES IT HAVE TO BE APPROVED BY
- 23 THE ACQUIRING COMPANY?



- 1 SPEAKER: NO, IT DOESN'T. THIS CONTRACT HAS BEEN SIGNED BY THE
- 2 EXISTING COMPANY AND SUBMITTED TO YOUR BOARD AS PART OF THE
- 3 AGENDA ITEM TODAY.

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- 5 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO THE CONTRACT IS WITH AMS AND NOT WITH
- 6 THE NEW-- WHAT IS IT--

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8 SPEAKER: IT IS AT THIS TIME, SIR.

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10 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: CGI...

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- 12 SPEAKER: CGI/AMS DOES NOT EXIST AS A-- ONE ENTITY YET. IT WAS-
- 13 IN MAY OR JUNE THAT WILL HAPPEN.

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- 15 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MAYBE ONE OF YOU COULD ADDRESS THE
- 16 QUESTION.

- 18 DONNA MOREYA: GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. I AM
- 19 DONNA MOREYA AND I'M AN EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT FOR AMS
- 20 RESPONSIBLE FOR OUR GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AND, ACTUALLY, FOR
- 21 THIS PROGRAM IN ALL OF THE CITIES, COUNTIES, AND STATES THAT
- 22 ARE CUSTOMERS OF THIS FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. SO I CAN
- 23 ANSWER QUESTIONS ON-- ON THE CONTRACT AS WELL AS INTRODUCE MY
- 24 COLLEAGUE FROM CGI, WHO IS THE COMPANY THAT IS IN THE PROCESS
- 25 OF ACQUIRING AMS AND THE COMPANY THAT WILL, IN FACT, ASSUME



- 1 RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONTRACT AND THE COMPANY THAT HAS
- 2 ASSERTED THAT THEY WILL ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONTRACT
- 3 AS IT IS NEGOTIATED.

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- 5 SUP. BURKE: IF THERE IS ANY PENALTY FOR YOUR DELAY THAT
- 6 INCLUDES THE SAME PROVISIONS AS IT INCLUDES ON THE MILESTONES,
- 7 FOR THE WHOLE PERIOD OF TIME UNTIL WE CAN ACTUALLY UTILIZE IT,
- 8 WOULD YOU-- ARE YOU IN A POSITION TO SAY WHETHER OR NOT YOUR
- 9 COMPANY WOULD ACCEPT THAT?

- 11 DONNA MOREYA: BEFORE I TURN IT OVER TO MY COLLEAGUE AT CGI,
- 12 SINCE I'M A LITTLE MORE FAMILIAR WITH THE CONTRACT, LET ME
- 13 TELL YOU MY VIEW ON THIS, FIRST OF ALL, BECAUSE I THINK IT'S
- 14 IMPORTANT AND I GUESS I WANT TO SAY A COUPLE OF THINGS. I
- 15 THINK IT'S AS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE DO TO MAKE THE
- 16 DATE AS WELL AS THE REMEDIES FOR THE SITUATION IN WHICH WE
- 17 DON'T MAKE THE DATE. AND, AS SUPERVISOR MOLINA ASKED AND
- 18 ALLUDED TO, THIS CONTRACT AND STATEMENT OF WORK IS CONSTRUCTED
- 19 IN A VERY, VERY RIGOROUS MANNER TO HOLD AMS' FEET TO THE FIRE
- 20 IN TERMS OF DELIVERABLES, MILESTONES AND EVEN TRACKING, ON A
- 21 REGULAR BASIS, EVERY SINGLE REQUIREMENT THAT WAS IN THE
- 22 ORIGINAL R.F.P. SO THERE IS A PROCESS THAT IS A PROGRAM
- 23 MANAGEMENT PROCESS THAT IS BAKED INTO THE CONTRACT THAT TRULY
- 24 HOLDS OUR FEET TO THE FIRE, WHICH I THINK MAY BE DIFFERENT
- 25 FROM SOME OTHER CONTRACTS THAT HAVE HAPPENED IN THE PAST.



- 1 THAT'S POINT NUMBER ONE. NUMBER TWO IS THAT YOU'RE CONTRACTING
- 2 WITH A SET OF PEOPLE WHO UNDERSTAND THE BUSINESS OF FINANCIAL
- 3 MANAGEMENT IN GOVERNMENT BUT, IN-- PARTICULARLY, IN L.A.
- 4 COUNTY, BECAUSE, IN FACT, WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED WITH
- 5 TYLER AND OTHERS ON THE TEAM SINCE 1986 TO UNDERSTAND THE
- 6 BUSINESS AND THE SYSTEMS OF L.A. COUNTY. SO THIS IS ANOTHER
- 7 MITIGATOR OF RISK. AND, AS THE MANAGER OF THIS TEAM, IT IS
- 8 ALWAYS MY JOB TO MAKE SURE THAT WE DO EVERYTHING TO SUCCEED
- 9 AND HOLD OFF THE ISSUE OF REMEDIES ONLY IN THE UNLIKELY
- 10 EVENTUALITY THAT THINGS FAIL. AND THE LAST THING I WANT TO SAY
- 11 AND THIS IS A VERY PERSONAL THING AND THEN I'LL GET TO THE
- 12 REMEDIES BECAUSE I KNOW YOU ASKED THAT QUESTION, BUT THESE ARE
- 13 PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH L.A. FOR MANY, MANY YEARS.
- 14 WE HAVE A 90% CUSTOMER SATISFACTION RATE AND OVER 90% CUSTOMER
- 15 RENEWAL RATE AND EVERY SINGLE CUSTOMER, ESPECIALLY THE LARGEST
- 16 COUNTY IN THE COUNTRY, IS OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE TO US, JUST
- 17 AS YOU VISITED RIVERSIDE, AS YOU -- AS THE TEAM LOOKED AT
- 18 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY AND TALKED TO THE FIVE OTHER COUNTIES
- 19 THAT HAVE GONE LIVE, ARE TALKING TO THE STATE OF
- 20 MASSACHUSETTS, WE KNOW THAT, IF THINGS FAIL IN L.A., THAT IS A
- 21 HUGE, HUGE, MORE THAN A BLACK EYE IN THIS KIND OF COMMUNITY.
- 22 NOW, ALL THAT BEING SAID, MY VIEW IS THAT WHAT WE HAVE SIGNED
- 23 UP FOR IS THERE REALLY ARE A SET OF REMEDIES THAT ARE KIND OF-
- 24 THAT I WOULD THINK OF AS ESCALATING AND THE ONE SET THAT
- 25 YOU'VE FOCUSED ON IS THE \$5,000 A DAY.



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- 2 SUP. BURKE: WELL, NO. WHAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE-- NOT
- 3 JUST THE MATTER OF THE REMEDY OF THE 5,000 A DAY, WHICH I
- 4 UNDERSTAND WILL APPLY TO MILESTONES; HOWEVER, MY CONCERN IS,
- 5 IF YOU'RE 30 DAYS LATE, WHICH IS NOT-- THAT'S UNDERSTANDABLE.

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7 **DONNA MOREYA:** RIGHT.

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- 9 SUP. BURKE: BUT 30 DAYS LATE, AS I UNDERSTAND IT, IS NOT
- 10 WORKABLE BECAUSE IT PUTS US INTO HAVING TO GO TO ANOTHER
- 11 FISCAL YEAR. NOW, THAT'S THE ISSUE THAT I WANT YOU TO ADDRESS
- 12 IN TERMS OF WHAT DO YOU SEE OUR REMEDY IN THAT EVENT?

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- 14 DONNA MOREYA: WELL, I THINK YOU HAVE TWO SETS OF REMEDIES IN
- 15 THAT EVENTUALITY. IF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DECIDES THAT--
- 16 LET'S SAY HE DECIDES THAT 30 DAYS IS TOO LATE...

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- 18 SUP. BURKE: WELL, HE'S ALREADY SAID IT'S TOO LATE. YOU KNOW
- 19 THAT TODAY.

- 21 DONNA MOREYA: OKAY. SO THAT IS TOO LATE. SO WE KNOW THAT ALSO
- 22 THERE IS-- THAT THERE'S CASH THAT YOU ALREADY HAVE IN HAND
- 23 FROM HOLDBACKS, WHICH IS IN THE ORDER OF ONE AND A HALF OR SO
- 24 MILLION DOLLARS. BUT, MORE IMPORTANTLY, IT IS OUR VIEW THAT,
- 25 AT THAT POINT, WE WOULD ENTER INTO DISCUSSION ABOUT THE ACTUAL



- 1 DAMAGES OR THE EXTENT OF DAMAGES THAT YOU INCUR BY HAVING TO
- 2 DELAY FOR A YEAR AND THAT'S THE PURPOSE OF THE 150% LIMITATION
- 3 OF LIABILITY. AND WE WOULD BEGIN A NEGOTIATION TO DEAL WITH
- 4 THAT WITH THE OUTSIDE BEING \$19 MILLION. FROM MY PERSPECTIVE
- 5 AS THE SIGNATORY OF THIS CONTRACT, I FEEL LIKE I'M ON THE HOOK
- 6 FOR \$19 MILLION. THAT'S HOW I BEHAVE.

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- 8 SUP. BURKE: AND SO THAT WHAT YOU'RE WILLING TO SAY IS THAT YOU
- 9 BELIEVE THIS, IF THIS HAS TO GO OVER TO 2006, THAT YOU WOULD
- 10 SAY THAT WOULD BE A SUBSTANTIAL BREACH?

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12 DONNA MOREYA: I WOULD SAY SO.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH. I MEAN, THE REALITY IS YOUR ONLY REAL
- 15 LEVERAGE HERE IS YOUR \$5,000 A DAY OR YOUR HOLDBACK. I MEAN,
- 16 THAT KIND OF AN ISSUE WOULD PROBABLY WIND UP IN LITIGATION.

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- 18 SUP. BURKE: AND YOU ASSUME THAT-- YOU AGREE WITH THAT, TOO,
- 19 RIGHT? THE PEOPLE WHO ARE ACOUIRING-- WOULD YOU AGREE TO THAT?
- 20 THAT THAT WOULD BE A SUBSTANTIAL BREACH?

- 22 SPEAKER: I THINK IT'S CLEAR THAT, BASED ON MY UNDERSTANDING
- 23 AND WHAT'S BEEN SAID, THAT IT IS A MATERIAL BREACH. AND I JUST
- 24 WANT TO SAY, AS A CHIEF STRATEGY OFFICER OF CGI, THAT WE DO
- 25 SUPPORT AMS AND WE WILL ASSUME ALL THE LIABILITIES ASSOCIATED



- 1 WITH THE CONTRACTS. YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND, ALSO, THAT THIS IS
- 2 THE CORE BUSINESS OF AMS. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
- 3 FINANCIAL SYSTEMS IS THE HEART OF AMS, WHICH IS WHAT WE'RE
- 4 MERGING WITH. SO CGI IS TOTALLY COMMITTED TO THE SECTOR, TO
- 5 THE SOLUTION, TO SUPPORTING THE SYSTEM. IT'S THE CORE BUSINESS
- 6 THAT WILL BE MERGING WITH US. SO IT'S REALLY NOT A SIDE
- 7 BUSINESS. THIS IS CERTAINLY NOT SUBJECT TO DIVESTITURE OR ANY
- 8 SUCH QUESTION.

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10 SUP. BURKE: THANK YOU.

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12 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: I JUST HAVE A-- SORT OF A WEIRD QUESTION.

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14 SUP. BURKE: I'LL WITHDRAW MY AMENDMENT.

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16 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: HUH?

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18 SUP. BURKE: I'LL WITHDRAW MY AMENDMENT.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WOULD YOU HAVE ACQUIRED AMS IF THEY HAD NOT
- 21 BEEN IN NEGOTIATION WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS THE LARGEST
- 22 COUNTY IN AMERICA FOR A CONTRACT?

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24 SPEAKER: WE WOULD STILL HAVE ACQUIRED THEM, YES.



- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: ALL RIGHT. SO YOU'RE WITHDRAWING YOUR
- 2 AMENDMENT?

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- 4 SUP. BURKE: I'LL WITHDRAW MY AMENDMENT BECAUSE THEY HAVE
- 5 STATED THAT, IF THIS GOES PAST THAT POINT OF WHERE IT HAS TO
- 6 GO TO JULY 1ST, 2006, EVERYONE HERE AGREES THAT'S A
- 7 SUBSTANTIAL BREACH.

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9 SPEAKER: MATERIAL BREACH.

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11 DONNA MOREYA: CORRECT, YES.

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- 13 C.A.O. JANSSEN: MR. CHAIR, YOU MAY WANT TO ADD A REPORTING,
- 14 REGULAR REPORTING TO THE MOTION TO KEEP ALL OF OUR FEET TO THE
- 15 FIRE AS WELL. THAT, EVERY OTHER MONTH OR EVERY MONTH, THAT WE
- 16 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON THE STATUS OF THIS PROJECT.

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18 J. TYLER MCCAULEY: WE, OF COURSE, WILL DO THAT.

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- 20 SPEAKER: YOU'LL KNOW BEFORE JULY 1, 2005, IF THIS THING IS OFF
- 21 BIG TIME.

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23 SUP. BURKE: WELL, WHAT MILESTONE ARE YOU ON IN MASSACHUSETTS?

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25 **SPEAKER:** I'M SORRY?

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1 SUP. BURKE: WHAT MILESTONE ARE YOU ON OR DO YOU HAVE 2 3 MILESTONES IN THAT CONTRACT? 4 5 DONNA MOREYA: WE ARE AT THE LAST MILESTONE, THE GO LIVE DATE. ACTUALLY, THEY'RE LOADING THE BUDGET DATA, WHICH IS IN MAY AND 6 7 RUNNING A PRELIMINARY BUDGET AND THEN GOING LIVE IN JULY AND 8 THAT'S ABOUT THE EIGHTH MILESTONE IN MASSACHUSETTS, ALL OF WHICH WERE MET ON TIME. 10 11 SUP. BURKE: ON TIME. 12 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. THEN, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT SUPERVISORS MOLINA'S MOTION TO APPROVE WOULD BE EVERY OTHER 14 MONTH REPORT BACK ON THE VARIOUS MILESTONES AND UPDATES OF 15 16 THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT -- PARDON ME? 17 18 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: I'LL MOVE IT. 19 20 SUP. MOLINA: NO, I'M FINE. 21 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YOU'RE MAKING FACES. I DIDN'T KNOW IF YOU 22 WANTED-- MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY... [ INDISTINCT VOICE 23 24 ]

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: WE COULD DO IT EVERY WEEK NOW THAT THE
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    LIFEGUARD [ INAUDIBLE ]...0 [ LIGHT LAUGHTER ]
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. DO WE HAVE ANYONE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK?
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    OH. OKAY. SO WE HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND, AND WITH THE UPDATE
    AND THEN WE DO HAVE SOMEONE BEFORE WE VOTE ON THIS, SO THANK
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    YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME.
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    SPEAKER: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
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    DONNA MOREYA: THANK YOU.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: FRANCES SHREINER, IS SHE... [ INDISTINCT
    VOICE ]
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES, YES, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. OKAY.
    SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDED. THEY JUST CALLED ME AN...
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    SUP. BURKE: ON A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT. I DON'T WANT TO HEAR
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    HER AGAIN ON A SOLE-- RAISING THE ISSUE OF A SOLE SOURCE
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    CONTRACT.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THEY JUST CALLED-- WAIT A MINUTE. WAIT A
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MINUTE. I'VE GOT ONE THING MORE IMPORTANT. THEY JUST CALLED ME



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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YES, GO AHEAD, PLEASE.
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    FRANCES SCHREINER: YES, SIR. I'LL BE BRIEF. I KNOW THAT IT'S
6
    BEEN A LONG MORNING AND I KNOW THAT A LOT OF ISSUES THAT
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    PEOPLESOFT ASKED ME TO PUT FORWARD THIS MORNING HAVE BEEN
    DISCUSSED AND I WON'T BELABOR THEM. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT
    PEOPLESOFT WANTED TO HAVE IN THE PUBLIC RECORD WAS THAT THERE
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    WAS A LOT OF CONCERN ABOUT EXECUTING A CONTRACT WITH
    PEOPLESOFT, BOTH, AS YOU MENTIONED, ON THE SIZE OF THE
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    CONTRACT AND THE ORACLE HOSTILE TAKEOVER AND THERE WERE A LOT
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    OF ISSUES RAISED OUT OF THAT ORACLE HOSTILE TAKEOVER THAT WE
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    FEEL HAVE NOT BEEN FULLY EXPLORED IN THE AMS CONTRACT THAT
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    YOU'RE CONSIDERING AND WE WANT TO HAVE THAT AS PART OF THE
    PUBLIC RECORD. AND, IN FACT, GARDNER, WHO WAS RESPECTED BY THE
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    COUNTY WHEN YOU WERE LOOKING FOR, YOU KNOW, WHAT SHOULD WE DO
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    ABOUT PEOPLESOFT AND THE ORACLE HOSTILE TAKEOVER, GARDNER
    ISSUED A RESEARCH DOCUMENT JUST IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS ON THAT
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    AND, IN FACT, HAD SOME RECOMMENDATIONS TO ANYBODY CONTRACTING
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    WITH AMS AND THEY WERE, YOU KNOW, BASICALLY HAD SOME VERY
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    SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS AND I WOULD LIKE TO JUST PUT FORWARD
    TODAY THAT PEOPLESOFT RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT THE COUNTY
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    GIVE THE SAME CONSIDERATION TO GARDNER'S RECOMMENDATION ON
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AN INDISTINCT VOICE UP THERE ON THAT MACHINE. [ LIGHT LAUGHTER



- 1 DOING BUSINESS WITH AMS AS THEY GAVE TO GARDNER WHEN THEY
- 2 RECOMMENDED THAT YOU NOT MOVE FORWARD WITH PEOPLESOFT WHEN WE
- 3 WERE IN OUR HOSTILE TAKEOVER PERIOD. SO I THINK THAT'S ONE
- 4 THING THAT PEOPLESOFT WOULD LIKE TO PUT ON THE TABLE. I
- 5 UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS KIND OF GOING DOWN A TRACK AND THE
- 6 CHANCES OF THAT HAPPENING ARE PROBABLY SLIM AND NONE BUT I
- 7 THINK IT'S A REASONABLE REQUEST. I THINK GARDNER HAS BEEN VERY
- 8 RESPECTED IN THE GOVERNMENT INDUSTRY. I'D ALSO JUST LIKE TO
- 9 PUT FORWARD THAT THERE'S BEEN A NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT CLIENTS
- 10 IN THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS THAT HAVE HAD TO MAKE THE SAME
- 11 KIND OF DECISION THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS IN FRONT OF THEM
- 12 AND BUDGETS ARE TIGHT ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IT'S NOT UNUSUAL TO
- 13 L.A. COUNTY. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO JUST PUT
- 14 OUT THERE IS THAT THERE ARE MANY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS,
- 15 INCLUDING THE STATE OF OHIO, STATE OF NEW MEXICO AND A NUMBER
- 16 OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE SUBSTANTIAL THAT HAVE BEEN
- 17 CONCERNED ENOUGH ABOUT THE AMS TAKEOVER THAT THEY HAVE ELECTED
- 18 NOT TO MOVE FORWARD AND I WOULD SAY THAT THEY'RE NOT UNUSUAL
- 19 IN THAT REGARD. AND IF THE COUNTY TOOK THE TIME TO LOOK A
- 20 LITTLE HARDER AT HOW AMS' REMAINING BUSINESS, WHAT'S LEFT
- 21 AFTER THE DIVESTITURE OF THE FEDERAL CONTRACTS, WHAT THE
- 22 REMAINING BUSINESS IS FOR AMS, THEN-- AND HOW MANY OF THEM ARE
- 23 ACTUALLY GOING TO STICK WITH AMS OVER THE NEXT 24 MONTHS, I
- 24 THINK YOU WOULD BE TROUBLED BY THE REMAINING BUSINESS THAT IS
- 25 LEFT WITH AMS AND THE KIND OF CAPITAL THAT'S GOING TO GIVE



- 1 THEM TO IMPROVE A CONTRACT-- IMPROVE A PRODUCT OVER THE LIFE
- 2 OF THE CONTRACT WITH L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THE ITEM'S BEFORE US. EVERYONE
- 5 IS SUPPORTING...

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7 SUP. BURKE: I'M ABSTAINING.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: AN ABSTENTION AND A "NO" VOTE. SO, WITH
- 10 THAT, IT'S PASSED 3-TO-1 -- 3-1-1. OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR
- 11 ANTONOVICH, YOUR ADJOURNMENTS.

- 13 SUP. ANTONOVICH: I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE MOVE MEETING
- 14 ADJOURNMENT FOR SISTER CECILIA LOUISE MOORE, WHO WAS A LONG-
- 15 TIME SISTERS OF THE ST. JOSEPH'S CARONDELET AND CLOSE FRIEND
- 16 OF MY AUNT, SISTER ST. GEORGE, WHO PASSED AWAY APRIL 5TH AFTER
- 17 A LONG ILLNESS AT THE AGE OF 75. SHE WAS A REMARKABLE
- 18 INDIVIDUAL WHO GAVE EXOUISITE LEADERSHIP TO THE ARCHDIOCESE
- 19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HAVING SERVED AS FIRST DIRECTOR FOR
- 20 SECRETARIAT FOR EDUCATIONAL AND FORMATIONAL SERVICES, SHE WAS
- 21 THE FIRST NON-PRIEST AND WOMAN APPOINTED AS CHANCELLOR OF THE
- 22 ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SHE'LL BE MISSED. SHE IS
- 23 SURVIVED BY HER SISTER AND COUNTLESS FRIENDS. DR. OTTO
- 24 NEUFELD, LONG-TIME GLENDALE COMMUNITY LEADER. HE WAS HEAD OF
- 25 THE DEPARTMENT OF RADIOLOGY AND NUCLEAR MEDICINE AT GLENDALE



- 1 ADVENTIST MEDICAL CENTER FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, AFTER HE WAS
- 2 DISCHARGED FROM THE UNITED STATES NAVY WHERE HE SERVED AS A
- 3 MEDICAL OFFICER DURING WORLD WAR II. HE WAS A FORMER ASSOCIATE
- 4 PROFESSOR AT THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AT LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY,
- 5 MEMBER OF THE KIWANIS CLUB, THE NATIVE SONS AND GOLDEN WEST
- 6 AND MANY, MANY PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
- 7 FOUR CHILDREN AND COUNTLESS FRIENDS. HIS WIFE, ANNABELLE, FOR
- 8 MANY YEARS, WAS AN EDUCATOR AT THOMAS STAR KING JUNIOR HIGH
- 9 SCHOOL IN THE GRIFFITH PARK, LAS FELIS AREA OF LOS ANGELES
- 10 COUNTY. THE NEUFELDS WERE QUITE INVOLVED WITH THE GLENDALE
- 11 SYMPHONY AND JUST WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL, CHARITABLE INDIVIDUALS
- 12 AND SUPPORTED SO MANY OF THE GREAT ORGANIZATIONS IN OUR
- 13 COUNTY, PERSONAL FRIEND AND A GOOD MAN. ALSO IN MEMORY OF
- 14 MARJORIE WELCH TATE, WHO WAS ACTIVE IN THE TUESDAY AFTERNOON
- 15 CLUB, THE DELPHIC FORUM, AND PRESIDENT OF THE L'AUREOLE CLUB
- 16 FROM 1973 TO 1975. SHE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE GLENDALE
- 17 PHILHARMONIC COMMITTEE OF THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC
- 18 ASSOCIATION. ALSO WAS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GLENDALE REPUBLICAN
- 19 WOMEN'S STUDY CLUB. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, JOHN, AND
- 20 HER STEPDAUGHTER. SHE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92. COLONEL
- 21 AARON BANK, HE WAS RETIRED UNITED STATES ARMY COLONEL, WHO LED
- 22 MANY DARING MISSIONS DURING WORLD WAR II BUT HE'S BEST KNOWN
- 23 FOR BEING THE ORGANIZER AND SERVING AS THE FIRST COMMANDER OF
- 24 THE ARMY'S ELITE SPECIAL FORCES. HE PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 1ST.
- 25 DURING WORLD WAR II, HE SERVED AS SPECIAL OPERATIONS OFFICER



- 1 FOR THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES AND, IN 1951, HE WAS
- 2 INSTRUCTED TO CREATE THE FIRST SPECIAL FORCES GROUP
- 3 SPECIALIZING IN UNCONVENTIONAL WARFARE. HIS FIRST MANUALS AND
- 4 TRAINING PROCEDURES FOR DEMOLITION, SABOTAGE AND HANDLING
- 5 WEAPONS. AND, AGAIN, HE WAS THE-- I GUESS LIKE YOU WOULD SAY,
- 6 THE FATHER OF THE GREEN BERETS. BARBARA PALMER CLARY, LONG-
- 7 TIME PASADENA RESIDENT, LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE SAN MARINO
- 8 COMMUNITY CHURCH WHERE SHE WAS ACTIVE IN THE BIBLE STUDY AND
- 9 BRIDGE GROUPS AND THE SIGMA KAPPA SORORITY AND IN MEMORY OF
- 10 CHESTER ART HOOVER, JR. WHO WAS THE SON OF A FORMER MAYOR OF
- 11 SANTA MONICA, CLO HOOVER, WHO WAS A PERSONAL FRIEND AND
- 12 SUPPORTER AND HIS FATHER WAS CHESTER ARTHUR HOOVER, SR. HE WAS
- 13 A U.S. NAVY PILOT, ATTACK SQUADRON, ABOARD THE USS ESSEX. HE
- 14 WAS ACTIVE IN MASONIC LODGE SINCE 1962 AND INVOLVED IN THE
- 15 SANTA MONICA ROTARY AND IN BUSINESS. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
- 16 WIFE, ULLA, AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN AND ONE STEPCHILD AND HIS
- 17 SISTER, PATRICIA. FRANK MAURICE DUTRA, WHO WAS WORLD WAR II
- 18 VETERAN FROM U.S. NAVY. HE WORKED IN THE REAL ESTATE
- 19 PROFESSION, OPERATING A BUSINESS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
- 20 DEVELOPMENT OF 35 COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS IN THE LOS ANGELES
- 21 WILSHIRE DISTRICT, HONORED BY THE INSTITUTE OF PROPERTY
- 22 MANAGEMENT AND SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR HIS EFFORTS, WAS
- 23 OUITE INVOLVED WITH THE WILSHIRE CHAMBER AND HIS MAIN PASSION
- 24 WAS GOLF, WHERE HE SPENT MANY DAYS PLAYING. AND HE WAS QUITE

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ACTIVE ALSO IN HIS-- IN THE BOY SCOUTS AND THE VERDUGO HILLS
    BOY SCOUT COUNCIL. SO I MOVE WE ADJOURN IN THOSE INDIVIDUALS.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SO ORDERED.
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: AND, FOR SUPERVISOR BURKE AND I, WE WOULD
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7
    LIKE TO MAKE THE MOTION THAT THE BOARD PROCLAIM APRIL 2004 AS
8
    SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH, ENCOURAGING THE RESIDENTS IN
    OUR COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN EVENTS COORDINATED THROUGH THE
    L.A. COMMISSION ON SEXUAL ASSAULTS.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: IS THIS FOR NEXT WEEK OR FOR...
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: UMM...
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    SUP. BURKE: THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK.
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18
    SUP. ANTONOVICH: THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK. I DON'T KNOW IF WE CAN
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    DO IT TODAY SO WE CAN DO THE PRESENTATION NEXT WEEK. [
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    INDISTINCT VOICES ]
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: CAN YOU FIND A SENSE OF URGENCY FOR THIS
23
   MOTION?
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SUP. ANTONOVICH: MOTION DECLARING APRIL AS SEXUAL ASSAULT
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    MONTH.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: GO AHEAD.
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    SPEAKER: YOU WANTED TO PROCEED WITH THIS?
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: YEAH. WE'D LIKE TO DO THAT TODAY SO THEY
    CAN DO THE PRESENTATION NEXT WEEK. IS THAT OKAY? IF THEY CAN
    DO THE PRESENTATION NEXT WEEK, CAN WE APPROVE IT TODAY, SO...
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    SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ON WHAT?
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13
    SUP. ANTONOVICH: SEXUAL ASSAULT MONTH.
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    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: SEXUAL ASSAULT MONTH SO THAT YVONNE AND
    MIKE CAN DO THE PRESENTATION NEXT WEEK. IT'S JUST DECLARE IT,
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    YOU KNOW, THE MONTH OF APRIL.
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20
    SUP. BURKE: [ INDISTINCT VOICE ]
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22
    SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY.
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    SUP. ANTONOVICH: SO MOVED.
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- 1 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: MOVED FOR URGENCY. NO OPPOSITION. MOVE THE
- 2 MOTION. SO ORDERED.

- 4 SUP. ANTONOVICH: THIS IS FOR NEXT WEEK. SENATOR PETE KNIGHT IS
- 5 CURRENTLY PROPOSING LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE FLOOD CONTROL ACT
- 6 TO FACILITATE THE TRANSFER OF STORM DRAIN FACILITIES IN LOS
- 7 ANGELES COUNTY. UNDER EXISTING STATE LAW, THE GOVERNING BOARD
- 8 OF A LOCAL JURISDICTION, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OR A CITY
- 9 COUNCIL MUST ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER, ACCEPT STORM
- 10 DRAIN FACILITIES AND THE AUTHORITY CANNOT BE DELEGATED.
- 11 CURRENTLY, THE BOARD'S AGENDA HAS, ON AVERAGE, FIVE ITEMS PER
- 12 MONTH FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RELATED TO SUCH
- 13 TRANSFERS. THIS PROCESS IS TIME-CONSUMING AND INCONSISTENT
- 14 WITH OTHER SIMILAR POLICIES AT PUBLIC WORKS. THIS LEGISLATION
- 15 AMENDS A FLOOD CONTROL ACT TO ALLOW THE BOARD TO ASSIGN A
- 16 DESIGNEE TO ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF STORM DRAIN FACILITIES ON
- 17 BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. WOULD
- 18 ALSO ALLOW A CITY COUNCIL TO ASSIGN A DESIGNEE TO ACT ON THEIR
- 19 BEHALF IN OFFERING THE STORM DRAIN FOR TRANSFER. CURRENTLY,
- 20 ROAD AND SEWER ACCEPTANCE HAS BEEN DELEGATED BY THE BOARD TO
- 21 THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS. THIS PROPOSED AMENDMENT WOULD
- 22 ALLOW THE BOARD TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY FOR ACCEPTING STORM
- 23 DRAIN FACILITIES TO THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS AS WELL. SO
- 24 I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER
- 25 INDICATING THE BOARD'S SUPPORT FOR SENATE BILL 1677 TO THE



- 1 GOVERNOR, THE SPEAKER, THE PRO TEM AND THE MINORITY LEADERS OF
- 2 THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND OUR L.A. COUNTY DELEGATION FOR NEXT
- 3 WEEK. THAT'S ALL. OH, ONE QUESTION. I ASKED SOME QUESTIONS
- 4 YESTERDAY TO SHARON BUNN WHICH SHE'S GOING TO GET ADDITIONAL
- 5 INFORMATION RELATIVE TO A PROPOSITION THAT'S BEING CIRCULATED
- 6 BY, I GUESS, OUR SHERIFF OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE SHERIFF
- 7 OF SACRAMENTO COUNTY BUT IF WE COULD ASK COUNTY COUNSEL IF HE
- 8 COULD GET BACK TO US ON A COUPLE OF POINTS. THIS PROPOSAL,
- 9 RELATIVE TO SLOT MACHINES AND INDIAN GAMING, INDICATES THAT
- 10 50% OF THE REVENUES WILL GO TO FOSTER CHILDREN OR ABUSED
- 11 CHILDREN. HOWEVER, IT INDICATES THAT THE OFFICE OF-- THE
- 12 COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE
- 13 FUNDS. IN LIGHT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
- 14 SERVICES IN OUR COUNTY, AND I WOULD ASSUME IN THE OTHER 57
- 15 COUNTIES, HAVE THOSE RESPONSIBILITIES, HOW WOULD THE-- HOW
- 16 WOULD THOSE FUNDS BE DISTRIBUTED, YOU KNOW, SO WE COULD
- 17 UNDERSTAND IF THIS INITIATIVE DOES FLY? AND, THEN, SECONDLY,
- 18 IT PROVIDES 35% OF THE MONEY GOING TO THE SHERIFFS AND POLICE
- 19 DEPARTMENTS IN THE COUNTY, IN EACH COUNTY, AND 15% TO THE FIRE
- 20 DEPARTMENTS IN EACH COUNTY. AND IF WE COULD GET SOME
- 21 CLARIFICATION AS TO HOW THEY INTEND TO DISTRIBUTE THOSE FUNDS
- 22 OR HOW THOSE FUNDS WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED, INDICATE IT CAN ONLY
- 23 BE GOING TOWARD ADDITIONAL OFFICERS AND WHAT HAPPENS-- OR FIRE
- 24 PERSONNEL. QUESTION: WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU ARE AT FULL CAPACITY
- 25 TO SURPLUS DOLLARS? BECAUSE, AFTER A PERIOD OF TIME, IF YOU



- 1 REACH YOUR FULL FORCE NEEDS, THEN DO YOU BANK THOSE OTHER
- 2 DOLLARS OR WHAT? BUT JUST SOME OF THOSE QUESTIONS BECAUSE IT'S
- 3 NOT IN THE INITIATIVE AS BEING CIRCULATED IN THAT TYPE OF
- 4 DISTRIBUTION.

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- 6 SPEAKER: MR. CHAIRMAN, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, WE'LL RESPOND
- 7 WITH A REPORT ON THOSE ISSUES.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH: THAT'S ALL.

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11 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

- 13 SUP. MOLINA: THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I HAVE A MOTION FOR NEXT
- 14 WEEK. IN THE MID-1990S-- I THINK MY STAFF IS PASSING IT OUT--
- 15 AS WE ALL KNOW, PROPERTY TAXES WERE SHIFTED FROM THE COUNTY'S
- 16 LIBRARY DISTRICT TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. OVER TIME, THIS
- 17 HAS BECOME AN ANNUAL 7.2-MILLION-DOLLAR SHORTFALL FROM THE
- 18 LIBRARY'S BUDGET AND AFFECTS SERVICES IN 84 BRANCHES AND FOUR
- 19 BOOK MOBILES. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAS FUNDED THE
- 20 STRUCTURAL SHORTFALL FOR THREE YEARS. HOWEVER, IN THE PAST
- 21 YEAR, THE BOARD PUT CITIES ON NOTICE THAT, IF THEY FAILED TO
- 22 PLACE A SPECIAL TAX ON THEIR BALLOTS, THEIR LIBRARY SERVICES
- 23 WOULD-- MIGHT BE IN JEOPARDY. THE FOLLOWING CITIES RESPONDED
- 24 AND PLACED THE LIBRARY MEASURE ON THEIR CITY BALLOT: BELL, SAN
- 25 FERNANDO, HUNTINGTON PARK, SOUTHGATE, MONTEBELLO, LA PUENTE,



- 1 BRADBURY, AVALON, CARSON, GARDENA AND WALNUT, WHOSE ELECTION
- 2 IS THIS COMING WEEK. WHILE THE MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS
- 3 SUPPORTED THIS MEASURE, NONE PASSED DUE TO THE TWO-THIRDS
- 4 REQUIREMENT. THE COUNTY'S LIBRARY SPECIAL PARCEL TAX GENERATES
- 5 10 MILLION FROM CITIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS. WITH INCREASED
- 6 COSTS, INFLATION AND OTHER FUNDING SHIFTS, IT IS APPROPRIATE
- 7 THE BOARD DIRECT THE COUNTY LIBRARIAN TO DEVELOP A CURTAILMENT
- 8 PLAN FOR THE YEAR 2004/2005 WHICH REFLECTS HOW MUCH REVENUE
- 9 EACH JURISDICTION CONTRIBUTES FOR LIBRARY SERVICES.
- 10 NOTWITHSTANDING ANY FURTHER CUTS FROM GOVERNOR'S BUDGET, THE
- 11 LIBRARIAN NEEDS DIRECTION FOR REDUCING SERVICES IN CITIES THAT
- 12 DON'T PAY THEIR FAIR SHARE FOR LIBRARY SERVICES. I THEREFORE
- 13 MOVE THAT, NUMBER ONE, THE COUNTY LIBRARIAN REPORT BACK DURING
- 14 THE 2004/2005 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS WITH A CURTAILMENT PLAN
- 15 THAT PROTECTS EACH CITY AND UNINCORPORATED AREA CONTRIBUTING
- 16 TO THE COUNTY LIBRARY SPECIAL PARCEL TAX AS WELL AS THOSE
- 17 CITIES WHOSE PROPERTY TAXES FULLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE COST OF
- 18 RUNNING THEIR LIBRARY. SECOND, THAT THE LIBRARIAN DEVELOP A
- 19 MENU OF OPTIONS FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO BUY BACK LIBRARY
- 20 SERVICES AND MATERIALS TO REPLACE THE CURTAILMENT, SUCH AS A
- 21 COST PER DAY OF SERVICE OR COST TO REPLACE STAFF POSITIONS.
- 22 AND, FINALLY, THAT THE LIBRARIAN DEVELOP A MENU OF OPTIONS FOR
- 23 THE MUNICIPALITIES TO CONTRIBUTE IN-KIND SERVICES TO REPLACE
- 24 CURTAILED SERVICE; FOR EXAMPLES, THE DONATION OF JANITORIAL
- 25 AND LANDSCAPING SERVICES IN EXCHANGE FOR COUNTY CUTS. SO



- 1 THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK. AND THEN THE SECOND ONE, I GUESS I WOULD
- 2 LIKE-- WE POTENTIALLY COULD DO IT TODAY BUT LET ME READ IT. ON
- 3 JUNE THE 2ND OF 1998, THE BOARD ADOPTED AN ALLOCATION AND
- 4 DISTRIBUTION PLAN FOR CITY OF INDUSTRY REDEVELOPMENT HOUSING
- 5 SET ASIDE FUNDS. THIS ACTION RESULTED IN STATE LEGISLATION,
- 6 ENACTED IN 1999, THAT GRANTED AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY HOUSING
- 7 AGENCY AUTHORITY TO ENSURE EQUITABLE APPLICATION AND USE OF
- 8 THESE FUNDS WITHIN A 15-MILE RADIUS OF THE CITY OF INDUSTRY.
- 9 TO DATE, THE COUNTY'S HOUSING AUTHORITY HAS AWARDED OVER 110
- 10 MILLION FOR 134 AFFORDABLE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING PROJECTS
- 11 WHICH, IN THE AGGREGATE, ARE LEVERAGING OVER \$650 MILLION OF
- 12 RESOURCES. OVERALL, THESE EFFORTS HAVE PRODUCED OVER 4,600
- 13 HOUSING UNITS. APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS AGO, ASSEMBLY BILL
- 14 618 WAS INTRODUCED AS AN ATTEMPT TO TRANSFER AUTHORITY OVER
- 15 THE INDUSTRY'S HOUSING FUNDS TO THE CITY OF INDUSTRY AND WOULD
- 16 HAVE EXEMPTED THE CITY FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO BUILD HOUSING
- 17 WITHIN ITS OWN BOUNDARIES. ON MARCH 20TH OF 2001, THE BOARD
- 18 TOOK ACTION TO OPPOSE AB-618 AND INSTRUCTED THE COUNTY'S
- 19 LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES TO ACTIVELY WORK FOR ITS DEFEAT. AB-618
- 20 DIED IN THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ON MAY
- 21 10TH OF 2001. SINCE THEN, THE BOARD HAS ADOPTED A POLICY AS
- 22 PART OF THE COUNTY STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA TO POSE
- 23 LEGISLATION THAT WOULD JEOPARDIZE A TRANSFER OF THE CITY OF
- 24 INDUSTRY TAX INCREMENT HOUSING SET ASIDE FUNDS FROM THE
- 25 HOUSING AUTHORITY. THIS YEAR, WE UNDERSTAND THERE MAY BE A NEW



- I EFFORT SIMILAR TO AB-618 TO WEAKEN OUR HOUSING PROGRAM. THIS
- 2 MAY OCCUR THROUGH AN AMENDMENT TO ANOTHER HOUSING BILL,
- 3 ASSEMBLY BILL 2264 SPONSORED BY ASSEMBLY MEMBER ED CHAVEZ.
- 4 GIVEN THE SUCCESS OF THE CURRENT PROGRAM, THERE'S NO REASON TO
- 5 MODIFY EXISTING LAW. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT WE OPPOSE THE
- 6 PASSAGE OF AB-2264 AS PROPOSED TO BE AMENDED AND OTHER EFFORTS
- 7 THAT WOULD WEAKEN THE HOUSING AUTHORITY'S ABILITY TO
- 8 ADMINISTER INDUSTRY FUNDS IN THE CURRENT EFFECTIVE MANNER AND
- 9 TO INSTRUCT THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATES TO ACTIVELY
- 10 WORK FOR THE DEFEAT OF AB-2264 AND, THREE, THAT THE EXECUTIVE
- 11 OFFICER OF THE BOARD TO SEND A 5-SIGNATURE LETTER TO THE
- 12 AUTHOR OF AB 2264 AND TO CHAIRS, THE ASSEMBLY, LOCAL
- 13 GOVERNMENT AND THE HOUSING AND COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT
- 14 COMMITTEES WITH COPIES TO MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES
- 15 DELEGATION OPPOSING 2264 AS PROPOSED TO BE AMENDED. THIS IS
- 16 CO-AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND I THINK, SINCE IT WAS
- 17 PART OF OUR LEGISLATIVE AGENDA, I'M WONDERING IF WE COULD
- 18 JUST-- I MEAN, I DON'T KNOW IF WE HAVE TO WAIT OR IF WE COULD
- 19 PROCEED TO SEND THE 5-SIGNATURE LETTER.

- 21 SPEAKER: MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I THINK YOU'RE
- 22 REAFFIRMING PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED POLICY AND IT'S ALSO COME TO
- 23 OUR ATTENTION THAT THERE IS A COMMITTEE HEARING COMING UP AND
- 24 SO I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR YOU TO MAKE A FINDING
- 25 AND PROCEED TODAY, IF YOU SO CHOSE.

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SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. I WOULD SO MOVE URGENCY. SECONDED BY 2 3 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. NO OBJECTION. THEN ON THE MOTION ITSELF, SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES. I WILL SECOND. AND WE WILL PREPARE A 4 5 5-SIGNATURE LETTER. 6 7 SUP. MOLINA: VERY GOOD. THANK YOU. 8 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: THANK YOU. 10 SUP. MOLINA: THOSE ARE ALL MY ITEMS. 11 12 13 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SUPERVISOR BURKE.

- 15 SUP. BURKE: I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
- 16 MEMORY OF GEORGE EDWARD CLEMONS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 30TH
- 17 AT THE AGE OF 90. HE WAS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
- 18 DISTRICT, FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN INSTRUCTOR FOR LOS ANGELES
- 19 TRADE TECHNICAL COLLEGE AND RETIRED AS HEAD OF THE WELDING
- 20 DEPARTMENT AFTER 25 YEARS. A DEVOTED FAMILY MAN RAISING 10
- 21 CHILDREN ALONE WHEN HIS WIFE PRECEDED HIM IN DEATH OVER 45
- 22 YEARS AGO. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS WIFE, HIS MEMORY, 12
- 23 CHILDREN, 50 GRANDCHILDREN, OVER 50 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND
- 24 SEVERAL GREAT, GREAT GRANDCHILDREN AND HE LIVED A LIFE AS A



1 HARD WORKING, OUTSTANDING MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY, ENCOURAGING
2 AND MENTORING YOUTH. THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

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- 4 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?
- 5 DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS? [ INDISTINCT CHATTER ]

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- 7 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: MR. CHAIRMAN, FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO
- 8 CONGRATULATE THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY MOCK
- 9 TRIAL TEAM FOR GOING UNDEFEATED IN THE NATIONAL TOURNAMENT. IT
- 10 INCLUDED MY CONSTITUENT, DAVID YAROSLAVSKY, WHO WAS ON THAT
- 11 TEAM. UNFORTUNATELY, THEY GOT THE SAME TREATMENT THAT THE
- 12 U.S.C. FOOTBALL TEAM DID: THERE WERE TWO UNDEFEATED TEAMS IN
- 13 THEIR BRACKET AND, BY STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE, THE OTHER TEAM
- 14 ADVANCED. SO WE'VE-- I'M ASKING FOR AN INVESTIGATION. [
- 15 LAUGHTER ]

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- 17 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: ...BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER BUT, ON SECOND
- 18 THOUGHT, MY STAFF TALKED ME OUT OF IT.

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- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: WAIT UNTIL HE GETS HIS NEW SOLE SOURCE
- 21 EQUIPMENT.

- 23 SUP. YAROSLAVSKY: YEAH. WELL, IT'S ALL-- WE HAD IT ALL WIRED.
- 24 BUT, ANYWAY, THEY DID A GREAT JOB AND IT WAS VERY EXCITING. WE
- 25 HAD THE MOCK TRIAL HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS HERE A FEW WEEKS AGO AND



- 1 THE COACH THERE OF ONE OF THE SCHOOLS SAID LOOK OUT FOR
- 2 PRINCETON, COLUMBIA, DARTMOUTH AND U.C.L.A. AND THEY BEAT A
- 3 COUPLE OF THEM AND GOT EKED OUT BY THE OTHERS. SO, ANYWAY, IT
- 4 WAS A GREAT THING. THAT'S NOT AN ADJOURNING MOTION, HOWEVER. I
- 5 DO HAVE TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS, IF I CAN FIND THEM HERE. HERE
- 6 THEY ARE. ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ARCHITECT PIERRE
- 7 KOENIG, A PROMINENT ARCHITECT IN LOS ANGELES AND THE LEADING
- 8 EXPONENT OF THE POST-WAR MODERNIST SCHOOL IN SOUTHERN
- 9 CALIFORNIA, WHO PASSED AWAY DUE TO LEUKEMIA AT THE AGE OF 78.
- 10 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, GLORIA, HIS SONS, RANDALL AND JEAN
- 11 PIERRE, AND TWO STEPSONS, THOMAS KAUFMAN AND BARRY KAUFMAN.
- 12 ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF TAMARA THOMAS, A
- 13 PROMINENT ART ADVISOR AND CONSULTANT WHO DID MUCH TO PROMOTE
- 14 THE CONCEPT OF PUBLIC ART AND THE CAREERS OF NUMEROUS ARTISTS
- 15 WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 63. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
- 16 HUSBAND, HARDY L. THOMAS, AND A DAUGHTER, TARA, AND A SON,
- 17 KIRK. AND THEY'RE CONSTITUENTS OF OURS IN MARINA DEL REY.
- 18 THOSE ARE MY TWO ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

- 20 SUP. KNABE, CHAIR: OKAY. SO ORDERED. IS THERE ANYONE SIGNED UP
- 21 FOR PUBLIC COMMENT? IF NOT, THEN IF YOU'LL READ US INTO CLOSED
- 22 SESSION, PLEASE.

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- 24 CLERK VARONA-LUKENS: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
- 25 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF



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- 2 1, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
- 3 LITIGATION; ITEM CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS,
- 4 DAVID E. JANSSEN AND DESIGNATED STAFF; AND ITEM CS-3,
- 5 CONSIDERATION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AS
- 6 INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK
- 7 YOU.



1	REPORTER'S CERTIFICATE						
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4	I, Jennifer A. Hines, Certified Shorthand Reporter Number						
5	6029/RPR/CRR qualified in an for the State of California, do						
6	hereby certify:						
7	That the foregoing transcript of recorded						
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9	and place therein set forth and recorded by the Los Angeles						
10	County Board of Supervisors, thereafter transcribed into						
11	typewriting under my direction and supervision;						
12	And I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript						
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14	transcript of the recorded proceedings before the Los Angeles						
15	County Board of Supervisors.						
16	I further certify that I am neither counsel for nor						
17	related to any party to said action, nor in anywise interested						
18	in the outcome thereof.						
19	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this						
20	9th day of April, 2004.						
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23 24	(Signature on file) JENNIFER A. HINES						
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